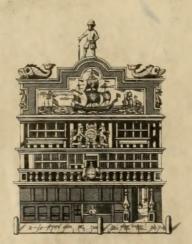


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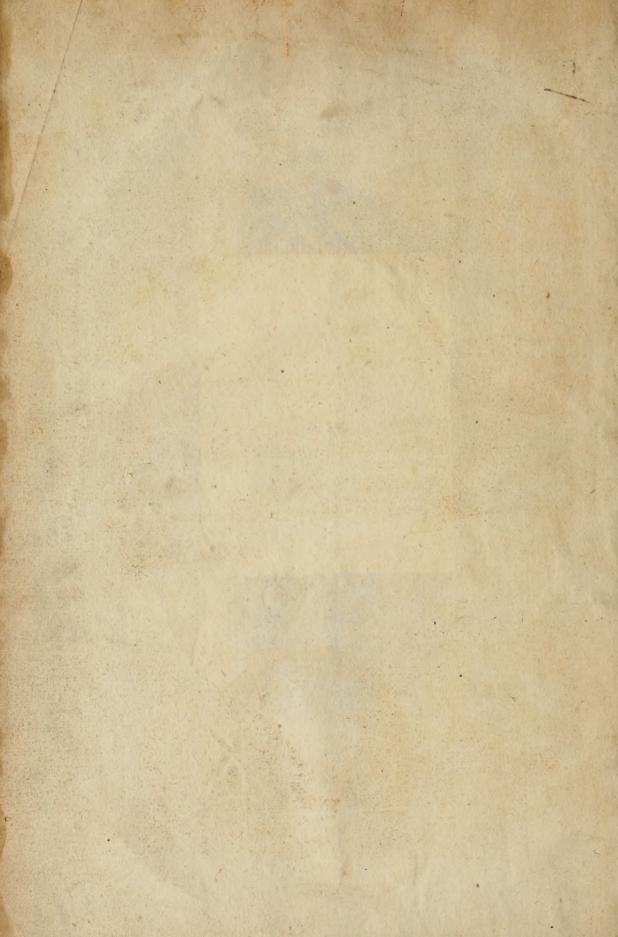
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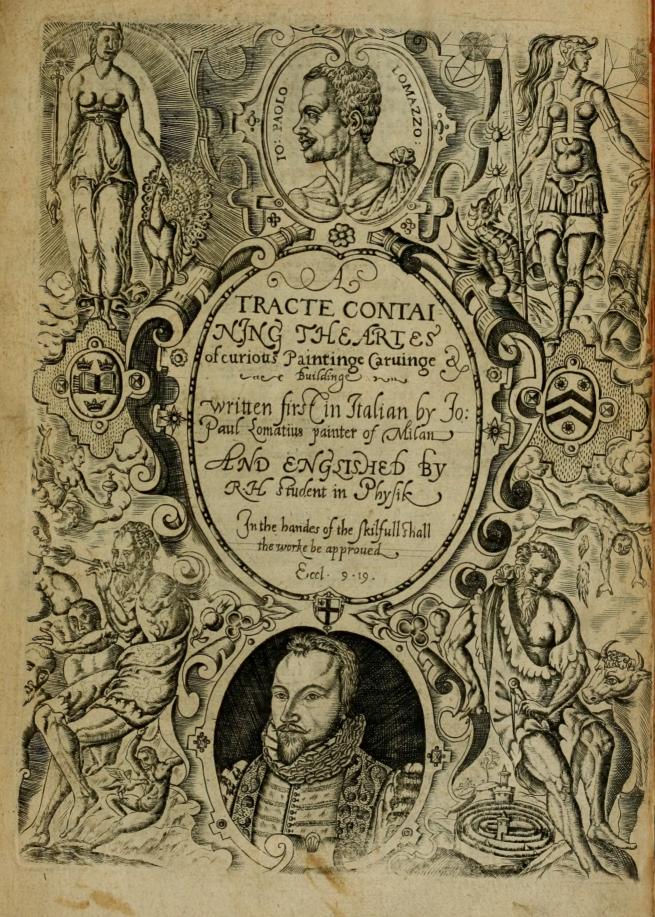
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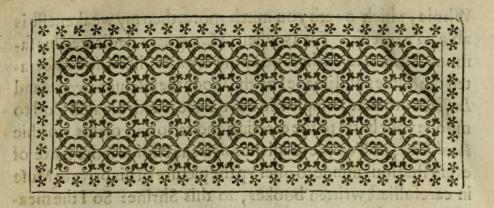




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mon-wealth and Church Wintant, that in this life you may

long enjoy your God. A. A. V. O. & And in the next bee ad.

F. IR, it hath fo falne out (with what successe I know not) that many my spare howers of recreation, have bin occupied in the sweete Contemplation, and delightfull Practife of the more curious kindes of Painting, Carving, and Building; as may in some sorte appeere, by my paines taken in translating this worke; the worth whereof I forbeare otherwise to commend vnto any other, then by recommending mine indevours therein vnto your felfe; whose soundnesse in variety of Learning, whose skill in this and the better Languages, and whose harty affection to all good Artes, though it were every way sufficiently knowne to the most, yet hath it more aboundantly discovered it selfe in that memorable Monument of your exceeding loue towardes this our Vniversity, begun already with no small charge, and happily heereafter to bee finished to your great Honour.

In regard-full acknowledgement whereof, I could wish I were as worthy, as I am willing, to beethe first, who shoulde steppe forth, to yeelde you Publique thankes, in the name of the Whole

Whole, which oweth you much more, then my weakenesse is able to expresse. Yet as when Mar: Agrippa dedicated his famous Pantheon to all the Gods, the Romanes likewise consecrated the statues and images of the Gods themselves Greater and Lesser, vnto that Temple: So now, since it hath pleased God to moove your harte to the erecting and restoring of this worthie Pambiblion, or Temple to all the Muses; as I holde it the parte of every studious minde to offer vp the picture of his private Muse in carefulliest written bookes, to this Shrine: So I the meanest amongst many, have conceived not a little hope, that this shaddow of my Shaddowing Muse shall sinde some place there, though it bee but that, which wee see the filly Sparrowes and Swallowes have in the greatest Churches.

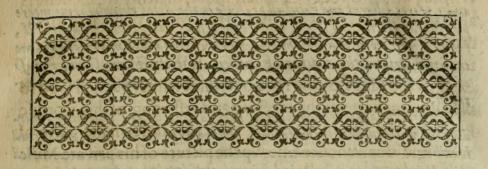
The summe of all is this, that it would please God so to continue this your vertuous desire, of increasing both the Common-wealth and Church Militant, that in this life you may long eniou your Godly hartes desire, and in the next bee admitted into the glorious fellowshippe of the Church Triumphant. From S. Marie Coll. (Commonly called New Coll:) in Ox.

ford. August the 24. Anno Dom. 1598.

Yours in all hartie love and affection
RICHARD HAYDOCKE.







TO THE INGENVOVS

READER. R. H.



Ow hard a matter it is to withstad any natural instinct and habituall inclination what soever, the storie of the Syracusane Archimedes (besides divers others to this purpose) may sufficiently per swade. VV ho was so rapt with the sweetnes of his Mathematical conclusions, that even then, when the Enemie had entred the gates of the Cittie, hee was found drawing of lines uppon the sand, when perchance it had bin sitter for a Philosopher, to

have bin advising in the Counsell-house.

Not much vnlike to whome I may peradventure seeme, who at this time, especially, when the vnappea sable enemies of health, Sickenesse, and Mortality have so mightily prevailed against vs; am heere found drawing of lines and lineaments, portraictures, and proportions, when (in regard of my place and profession) it might much better have be seemed me, to have bin found in the Colledge of Physicians, learning and counselling such remedies, as might make for the common health: or if I must need be doing about lines, to have comented uppon this proposition, Mors vitima linear erum.

Howbeit, as I finde not him much taxed in the storie, for this his diligent carelessenesse, because hee was busied about matters, which were not onelie an ornament of peace, but also of good wse in warre: So my hope is (Ingenuous Reader) that my sedulous trisling, shall meete with thy friendliest interpretation: in somuch as the Arte I now deale in, shalbe prooved, not onely a grace to health, but also a contentment and recreation wnto Sickenes, and a kind of preservative against Death and Mortality: by a perpetual preserving of their shapes, whose substances Physicke could not prolong, no not for a season.

Now as the same Archimedes, after he had a long time beaten his braines to find out the sophistication and deceite of the Goldesmith, in making Kinge Hieroes golden crowne, at the last as hee sate in his bath he found it out, and presently forgetting himselfe, leaped forth naked as he was, crying sugar I have found it: So I after the perusing of many learned Auctors, coferring with divers men skilful that way, viewing of sundry singular pieces of worke both new Gold

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and 7. yeares diligent and painfull practife in the Arte (though for my meere pleasure and recreation) have now at the last, when I least thought of it, found or mette with this present booke; which hath sufficiently instructed me in the mysteries of this Arte of Painting, whereby the unskilfull eye is so often cozened and deluded, taking counterfeit creatures for true and naturall.

The present apprehension whereof hath so pleased mee, that little regarding the worthinese of my profession, or the expectation of a scholastical handling of the matter; I am heere stept abroad in this naked and ungarnished stile. Howbeit when it shalbe indifferently considered, that Artes and Sciences are of such nature, that.

The thinge it selfe refusethornament,

And with bare precepts doth it selfe content:

men may bee the better contented with the se truely bare and naked demonstrations, and the rather take them at my hands, because although a profitable translation can be no mans worke but a schollars, yet among st schollars all vnderstand not the Italian tounge, and of the se which doe, all have not looked into the Arte; and not many (which you may take for no great commendation) have

bestowed so much time in the practize thereof, as my selfe.

To speake much in commendations of the Arte it selfe I shal not neede, mine Auctor having done it to my hand, so copiously, wittily, and substantially. Which if hee had omitted, my selfe should not have thought much necessary, in somuch as I have not heard or read of any, that have purposely disgraced it. For even Cor: Agrippa in his booke De vanitate scientiarum highlie commendeth it: the greater feare is on the contrary side. For had not former ages doted too much thereon, they would never have adored the workes of the Painters hands.

Now concerning mine Auctour what shall I say sufficiently? Schollars and men of judgement will saue mee the labour, in that they will see his worth in his worke, better then my selfe. But others for whose sake I have done this especially, may understand by mee, that what soever his practize was say to ken where f my selfe could never bee so happy as to see) surely for his profound knowledge and deepe skill in the Arte, I speake considently, hee was equall with, if not superior to Apelles, or any of the ancient: truely skewing himselfe another Aristotle, by compiling this most absolute body of the Arte: partly out of the writings of other men who had written of severall parts thereof, and partly out of his owne experience, which howe it coulde prooue so great may seeme very strange, when you shall consider, that he was deprived of his sight at the 33. yeare of his age. VV hich time (as a learned man hath well observed) is the soonest for any man to begin to write, that meaneth not to retract what he hath written.

At this time (as himselfe confesseth) hee undertooke this worke; which being finished, was freed from the danger of retractation, by a double approbation and priviledge: the one from Pope Gregory the 13. and the other from Don Sanchio de Ghevara governour of the state of Milane, & Captaine generallof the Spanish forces in Italy. Now if any man shall call his credit into question

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question because his worke hath continued these 13. yeares vntranslated into other tongues, or not reprinted in the same (for ought I can learne) being so profitable as I contend: I can impute it partly to his Priviledge not yet fully expired; partly to the great expence that it would aske to be published in such sort as the matter would require (for my pictures are but a shaddow of that which might be done.) partly to the scarcity of copies, which in likely hood were bought up by the Italian Painters, for searce least the perfection of the Arte, (which they holde to reside whollie with them) might bee nowe divulged unto other Nations. VV hich point I am compelled to amply set thus.

One Io: Paulus Galluccius of Venice having translated Albert Durer into Italian 7. yeares since mine Auctor wrote, addeth thervnto a fifth booke of his owne, of the Argument of my Auctours second booke, where talking of many writers of this arte, hee mentioneth not him. Againe Possevinus in his Bibliotheca selecta, reciting all the name-worthy writers of the Arte of Painting both newe and olde, nameth some of meaner worth in sight, and among st them one io: Baptista Armenius Faventinus, who wrought Anno. Dom. 1587 which is 3. yeares since, but of our Lomatius maketh nomention. If in this case you will say, that therefore they suppresse his name, because they have either stolne from him, or else envy his glorie (as himselse objecteth to Georg. Vasarie for omitting his Master Gaudetius, in his Lives of the Painters) I thinke I may subscribe hereunto without any great inconvenience. So that how soever the matter goe, I may boldly auctorize him to say of himselse.

Exegi monumentum ære perennius,

And speake to him my selfe in Virgils verse, somewhat altered.

Fortunatus eris, si quid mea possit opella, Nulla dies vnquam memori te diluet æuo.

And thus taking my leave of mine Auctor, I would borrow patience of my Reader, to speake for my selfe: not refusing to make a just account of my doing herein. First I have made the coppie commo; (which being brought wnto me waperfect, (as the religues of a shipwracke) by that was fained lover and furtherer of all good Artes M: Tho: Allen) could not bee matched in Paules Churchyard; watill a most kind Gentleman, who had rather heare the name of a scholar; then his owne name, had procured mee a perfect coppie from Italy. For mee to have reprinted it in Italian, or translated it into latine, had beene I confese to have communicated it to some feawe, but not to have divulged it to all. VV herefore intending a common good: I have taught a good Italian to speake a bad english phrase, yet such a one as I hope shall not bee offensive to the learned, and beneficiall I am sure to the ignorant.

And whereas the commedable labours of other men have inriched our tongue with the greater parte of all other good Artes: I was the more easily per swaded to adde this mite to the common Treasury. In thus doing, you tell mee I descrue no discommendation; and I tell you I looke for no other commendation, then is ordinarily afforded other Translators; who are reputed to have taken great paines in worsing their auctours. How beit in adding the Types and Pictures I may

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I may with modesty say, I have bettered mine, or at the least made even for such other imperfections, as can hardly escape the best Traslators, much more

mee but a Novice in that tonque.

Which pictures, if to the nicer of this more curious age, they shall seeme meaner, then may stand with a tract of so rare precepts of skill; yet the indifferent judge will deeme them more, then could bee expected from the vnexperienced hand of a student. VV ho although he may better excuse his defects in dooing them, then his rashnesse in attempting a matter beyond his power; vet is hee not altogether deprived of patronage, for adventuring even therein. For those which know any thing in these matters, cannot bee ignorant, that Pictures cut in copper, beare an higher rate of charge, then in probabilitie a professed schollar can undertake. And as for Benefactors to ance such publique v [es, former ages and forraine countries, have so far exceeded vs, that erc.

And heere if the wanton eie of the ordinarie beholder shall beare with the defects of eie-pleasing delights, & the judicious workeman pardon the unartificialnes of the shaddowing, I dare promise them both truth of Delineation es Proportion, which was all I aimed at in the fe Examples. The exact mea. furing, prooving, examining, and comparing whereof, with the precepts andtables, what paines, care, and circumspection it required, Irefer to such as either have or shall meddle with the practise thereof. VV hich I must confesse, I had never bin able to have gone through withall, had I not hadextraordinarie supplie of divers exceeding rare bookes, both Italian, French. and Latine, from those two former most friendlie Gentlemen, whose studies may well bee called the Libraries of all the best and selected Au-

Neither woulde this have sufficed, except I had bin much aided by my often conference with a most learned Friend, so well knowne to the better and greater parte of those, who have at any time conversed with him. that hee can bee no otherwise graced by mee, then by acknowledging his most (weete and commendable recreations in this kind, from his more grave, (erious, and weightie studies, to have ministred no small helve unto this

thy present delight.

All which furtherances not with standing, the exceeding falsenese and corruption of the Milan print, fraighted with not so feawe as a thow sand faults more then are corrected at the ende, (besides the difficulty and strangenesse of the matter it (elfe) hath inforced mee in divers places, to regard rather the true sense and purpose, then the exact wordes of my Auctour; as who list to compare the coppies shall well perceive. So that hee shall find, neither a Paraphrasticall, Epitomized, or meere Verballtranslation: but such amixed respectivenesse, as may shewe, I indevoured nothing more, then the true vse, benefit, and delight of the Reader, how soever mine vnexercised stile shall come short of the sweetenesse of our much refined tonque.

Where fore, if any selfe-conceited wittes shall holde them selves wronged, either because I have not imped with their singular humours, or for that I

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I have published that talkative knowledge, which they assumed to them selves by concealing their Auctour; they may first remember, that it were as lawfull and as easie amatter for another man, to thinke well of his owne doings, as for them to be too much wedded to an over-weening opinion of their owne singulatity: in somuch as both are in the same degree of vanity. And secondly, that the common thankes I shall gaine abroade, will easilie countervaile their private frownes.

Itoldeyou before that mine Auctour was blind, and therefore no marveile if he swallowed somany slies of presse-errours; some superficiall light, some substantial and materiall: partly in the calculations, as li. I. ca. 7.20.21.622. &c. partly in the precepts and discourses, where words and peeces of sentences (in likelihood interlined in the manuscript) are often either left out, or wrog-ly placed, as li. 5. c. 5: &c. all which I hope I have restored so neere to the Auctours meaning, that if I have not attained it wholly, yet I presume I have not

[warved much from the subject.

Besides, all such termes of Arte or other dissipulties, as I deemed worth the standing on; I have opened with briefe notes in the margent. The calculations I have drawne into Tables, for more ease and readinesse sake, which by mine Austour were left in continent lines. Of the 7. bookes mentioned, I have now published but 5, which in somuch as they coprehend the whole Conteplative part, I have sent alone before, as precursors of the rest. According to the acceptance wherof, I purpose (if God permit) to gratiste you with the others with all such speede, as my leasure and private occasions will afforde.

I have added a briefe Censure of the booke of Colours, where I have also taken occasion to wife a word or two, concerning the Artificiall Beauty of Woe-

men, for who se good I have published it.

Some feawe things I have purposely omitted touching the Matter, and some I have altered: upon what reason both kinds of Readers will easily consecture; wherof the one (I am sure) will commend my doing in his secret sudgment, and

the other (Iknow) not openly condemne it.

If any of the Histories bee in any circumstance false fied (as I find some) impute it not to me as a fault, that they be not restored, who have found enough to doe in the Arte it selfe, and had not leasure to compare all the Stories; neither indeed I it requisite, in somuch as they are meerely illustrative examples of the doctrine.

Touching the Verses, which for the most part are out of Aricsto, I have followed M. Harringtons translation, where it would serue my turne, the others I have done as I could.

What I have done is apparant. See now (in a word) Why. My finall reason is plaine: the increase of the knowledge of the Arte; which though it never attained to any great perfection among st vs (save in some very feavier of late) yet is it much decayed among st the ordinarie sorte, from the ancient mediocritie, for these 2. causes: First the Buyer resustent to bestown anie greate price on a peece of worke, because hee thinkes it is not well done: And the VV orkemans answere is, that he therefore neither with all his skill, nor taketh all the paines that he could, because hee knoweth before hand

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hand the slendernes of his reward. That both the se objections might be taken away, I have taken the paines, to teach the one to judge and the other to worke. Both which will bee the better effected, if both the one and the other shall give them selves, to a diligent observation of the excellency of Ancient workes; indevouring by all meanes to purchase them, and refusing no coste, when they may bee had.

In which point some of our Nobility, and divers private Gentlemen, have very well acquited them selves; as may appeare, by their Galleries carefully furnished, with the excellent monuments of Sundry famous ancient Masters, both Italian and Germane. VV hose successors (diverstimes) partlie through ignorance, partlie through niggardline se, and partlie through vanitie Suffer them to perish: or when they woulde shewe themselves carefull that waie, fall into the absurditie and rudenesse, for which Velleius Paterculus li I. taxeth L. Mummius, who having taken Corinth, gaue this charge unto those, unto whome hee committed the safe conveiance of the curious Tables and Statues which he found there, that if anie of them Shoulde miscarrie under their hands, they should at their owne cost make new. For my selfe have seene divers goodlie olde workes finely marred, with fresh and beautifull colours, and vernishes: a singular argument (to say nothing of the Owners) of the bolde and confident ignorance of the workemen: whome as I can never sharpely enough reprodue, for manie indignities in their daylie practife; somay I iustlie condemne them, for their disgracefull handling of divers Honourable Personages, and even Princes them selves by publishing to the worlde, not onely unlike, but most lame, disproportioned and vn seemelie Counterfeites (as they tearme them) of their linelie per sons.

And if nothing can deterre the se saucie doultes, from this their dizardly inhumanitie, then I could wish, that Alexanders Edict were now in force againe, who forbade, that anie should Carue his person, saue Lysippus; or Paint

his Counterfeit besides Apelles.

Howbeit, if they did onelie this, they were the more to bee pardoned; but they are not ashamed to step one degree higher, by hanging out the semonumentes of their große ignorance, for Signes at Innes & Ale-houses (the toleration wherof Ihaue ever wondered at) putting no difference betweene the renowned Scepter of K: Henry the 8. and Tartletons pipe. If this bee not to prophane the sacred Maiestie of Princes, and disgrace Nobility, surely I cannot judge. But this I am sure of that if any private man were so handled, he would holde it an indignity unsufferable.

Now if they in this latter point shall answere for them selves, that they are not in fault for this, because they are ever set on worke by the owners of those houses mine Auctor will reply, that a sufficient Painter ought to be (besides his skill in the Arte) so discreet and indicious aman, that hee should be able to direct him that setteth him on worke, shewing him what is sit and convenient to be painted in each place. But the se base fellowes I leave in their Ale-hour

ses, to take pot-punishment of each other once a day, tillesc.

Now as for those other industrious and commendable Professors of the curiouser

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suriou fer kindes of Painting: I am fo farre from condemning the defects and scapes which are sometimes found in their best workes, that I rather wonder how they have attained so neere unto the ancient perfection, with so feame helpes, as our country (for ought I could ever learne) hath afforded them. And for their farther incouragement, could wish I had the skilfull pen of George Vasarie, to eternize their well-deserving names to all succeeding ages. For then (Idoubt not) but that I should in a short time finde mait remuch, to write Parallels of their lives, comparing our English Painters weet the Italia ans, as Plutarch, did the Romane Captaines, with the Gracians. Then would M. Nicholas Hilliards hand, somuch admired among & frangers, frine for a comparison with the milde spirit of the late worldes-wonder Raphaell Vrbine: for (to speake a truth) hus perfectio in ingenuous Illuminating or Limming, the perfection of Painting, is (if I can indge) foextraordinarie, that when I devised with my selfe the best argument to set it forth, I found none better, then to per swade him to doe it him selfe, to the viewe of all men by his pen; as hee had before unto very many, by his learned pencell: which in the endo hee asented vnto; and by mee promiseth you a treatise of his owne Practise that way, with all convenient speede. VV hose true and lively Image you may otherwise lehold, more then reflected uppon the mirrours or glases, of his two Schollars M: Isaac Oliver for Limming and Rowland Lockey for Oyle & Lim: in some mea sure: Both which (I doubt not) are herein of great Alexanders minde, who reiogced more that hee had Aristotle for his Master, then Philhippe to his father. And the rather, because Alexander was a lover of Painting, and Aristotle an allower of the same: as may appeare by the 8. of his Politickes, where he requireth it in his Common-welthes man, as Castilio do hit in his Courtier.

And for theirs and the others fakes (whome I for beare now to name, till it shall please God I publish the second part, where I also purpose to insert them all, as my Auctour hath his country men, in the Catalogue of all the famous Painters) I could wish wee had some Alexanders in the seour daies: if not to reward the according to their desertes, yet at the least to patronage them from the insolent incroaching of men of no desert. For who can with patience see the chiefest places, and the greatest applause geven commonly to the meanest, when the worthiest are disgraced? But this was Apelles case, who not with standing (as Plinie reporteth) acquited himselfe, and shamed his cor-

rupt Iudges most notably by this meanes.

Amore wealthy then worke-manly Painter (having first corrupted the Iudges, appointed unto those which conteded for the superiority in painting) was pronounced more excellent then Apelles, who mooved with the indignity of the matter, tooke the Tables of those which strone with him (where each of them according to a former agreement, had drawen an Horse) and having put all the company out of the place appointed for that purpose, he first set all the Tables round about, and his owne last. Having thus done, he put in a line couragious Horse, which smelling to all the Tables as hee passed by them, at the last when hee came to Apelles Table, he began to neigh, wince, which, as having found a companion: whereat the Judges being ashamed that they were thus

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thus reprodued by the dumbe beast, reversed their former sentence, and gaue

Apelles the garland.

The like hee did unto Alexander, when some flatterers had so with drawne his favour from him, that he would not acknowledge his owne picture (wherin Apelles had she wed extraordinary arte) to be like him. For having intreated the King to stand closely in his windowe, he caused the Horse Bucephalus to be brought forth, before whome having drawne the curtaine, hee she wed the Kings disprooved picture, at the sight whereof, the Horse presently kneeled, as he was wont to doe to his Master; which the King perceiving, acknowledged his errour.

The Horse instructed the King, and condemned the Iudges, and both acknowledged their errours. Professed depressour of other mens rare perfections.

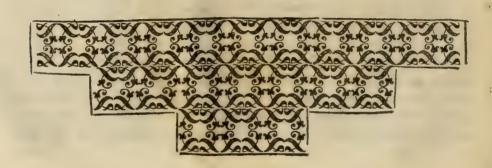
Change but the name the tale is tolde to thee.

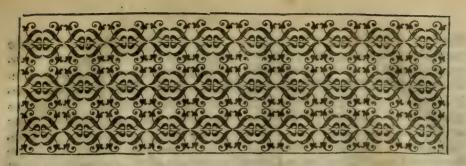
Now as I have admonished thy backe-friends; to vse the according to thy desert, so must I warne thee in the conclusion, that if this worke seeme obscure and difficult vnto thee, thou impute not the fault thereof either to mee, who have left it to thy hands, far more perspicuous then I found it: or to the first Auctor, who hath done that for thy sake, which none of thy Predeces ours could ever be

So happie as to enioy:

If hee seeme too long and tedious, his desire was to bee plaine; If hee hee not plaine enough, then he was not long enough. But how soever, the stendernesse of thy capacity she weth the exceeding difficulty of the Arte: which, if it were either easily understood, or speedily learned, we should have many more Profefours thereof (though nowe to many) and so would thy credit and profit proove the lesse. And thus if thou shew thy selfe thankefull for this, thou hast halfe deserved the next, which I owe as a dewe debt to all such, as ingenuously take this, for part of payment. Farewell.







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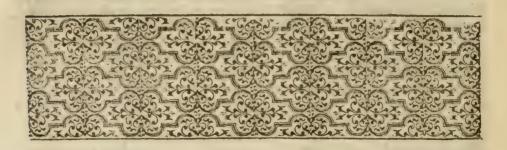
TO HIS FRIENDE R. H. OF NEW COLLEDGE.

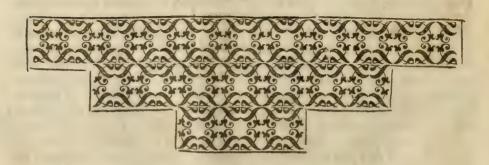
HEN I first heard (learned and kinde friende M. Hay. docke) of your purpole in letting forth a large Booke concerning the Arte of Painting, two thinges caused me much to maryaile; first how you could winne time, and weane your selfe from Hippocrates to Apelles; and then what matter you could yeelde vs from a Painters pot and pencell: But after reading a few lines of the worke, I utterly chaunged my minde, and beganne contrariwise to wonder, how so excellenta Booke coulde bee compiled vpon so meane a subject:

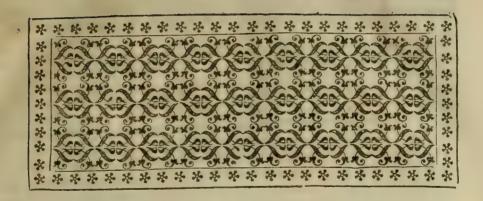
Meane I say in name, but not indeede: meane as we call a Gnatt, in whose life, parts, forme, voice and motion. Nature hath bestowed her best arte, and left vnto vs wonders to beholde. What shall I say more? One shaddow of man, one image of his partes, in this Booke, sheweth vs better vse. For if Hippocrates will reade an Anatomie, heere-hence he may learne exact and true proportion of humaine Bodies: if Dioscorides will make an Herball, here he may have skill to set forth hearbes, plantes, and fruites, in most lively colours, Geometricians heere-hence for Buylding may take their perfect Modelles. Cosmographers may finde good arte to make their Mappes and Tables. Historians cannot heere want a pencell to over-shaddow mens famous Actes, Persons, and Morall pictures. Princes may heere learne to builde Engines of warre, and ornamentes of peace. For (Vitruvius who writeth of Building to Augu-Rus the Emperour) faith, that all kinde of warlike Engines were first invented by Kings and Captaines, who were skilfull in the Arte of Painting and Caruing, One thing more I adde aboue all the rest (my good friende M. Haydocke) that in reading your booke I finde therein two notable images of Natural and Morall Philosophie, the one so shaddowed with preceptes of Nature, the other so garnished with the best colours of Vertues; that in mine opinion, I neuer found more vse of Philo. Sophie, in any booke I ever read of the like theame and subject. And truely had I not read this your Auctor and Translation, I had not fully understoode what Arifiele meante in the fixth booke of his Ethickes, to call Poidias and Polyclesus most wife men; as though any parte of wifedome did confift in Caruing and Painting; which now I fee to be true; and more-ouer must needes confesse the same, because God himselfe filled Bezaleel the sonne of Vri, with an excellent spirit of Wisedome Exod.cap.35. and understanding, to finde out curious workes, to worke in Golde, Silver, and Brasse, vers. 31. and in Graning stones to set them, and in Carning of wood, even to make any manner of fine woorke. In like manner hee indued the heart of Aholiah with Wisedome (as the Texte faith) to worke all manner of cunning in embrodred and needle-worke. And this he did for the making of his Arke, his Tabernacle, his Mercy-seate, his glorious Temple, which were the wonders of the Wordle, and only rare monumentes of

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this Arte. If these thinges be true (kinde friend) as they are most true: I marvaile much that after so long studie, so great labour, so much time spent in translating so good, so learned, so profitable an Auctor you should now draw backe from your intent and purpose, desiring rather to suppresse, then presse or print the same. Truely I speake not this any way to flatter you, but rather to edge and incourage you to greater labours. Because I finde that you have vsed in this your translation greate art, knowledge, and discretion. For walking as it were in golden fetters (as al Trans flators doe) you notwithstanding so warilie follow your Auctor, that where he trippeth you hold him vp, and where he goeth out of the way, you better direct his foote. You have not only with the Bee sucked out the best suyce from so sweete a flower, but with the Silke-worme as it were wouen out of your owne bowels, the finelt filke; & that which is more, not rude & raw filke, but finely died with the fresh colour of your owne Art, Invention and Practife, If these Adamantes draw you not to effect this which you have so happilie begunne: then let these spurres drive you forward: viz. Your owne promise, the expectation of your friends, the losse of some credit if you should steppe backe, the profit which your labours may yeeld to many, the earnest desire which you your selfe haue to reviue this Arte, and the vindoubted acceptation of your paines, if you performe the fame. But I make no question hereof because you ever tolde me, that I and your friendes should over-rule you heerein: which thing we now challendge, and draw you to the print of your owne name although you be vnwilling. And to leaving you (as I hope) refolued, I commit you to the good successe of your worke and protection of the Almightie.







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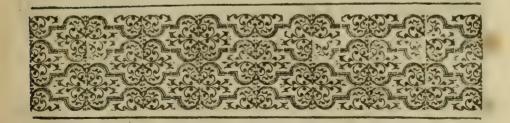
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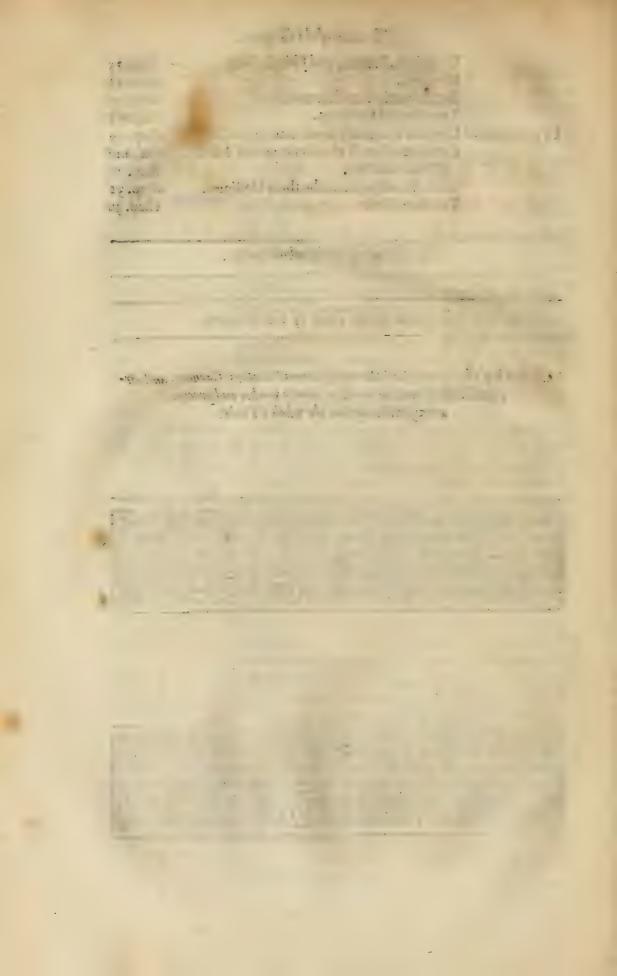
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PREFACE TO THE WORKE,

WHEREIN IS HANDLED THE EX-

CELLENCIE, ORIGINAL, AND
Progresse of Painting.

Mongs ral the inestimable gistes of God most bountifully conferred vppon mankinde, questionlesse that faculty of the minde which wee call Vnderstanding, is the chiefe and most excellent. For this is the principal meane and instrument whereby our life is maintayned, teaching vs to vnderstand, and consequently to desire our last and chiefe ende. Which affertion is most easie to be prooved, insomuch as noe man

will denie, but that by this faculty of Vnderstanding, men did first apprehend and finde out the necessities of Nature, and wherein the decay and final overthrow therof confifted. Wherupo they provided all fuch meanes as were behoovefull for the mayntenance and preservation of the same. And hence it is, that when our vnderstäding had observed, that vnlesse that radicall & inborne moviture of ours, which is dayly confumed and wasted by our naturall heate were some way repayred, the corruption and dissolution of mankinde must needes ensue; it beganne to invente the most profitable arte of Husbandry and manuring the earth (as her owne servant) by whose helpe the earth which at the first was barren and fruitlesse, became fruitful, bringing forth all such thinges in great abundance, as were neceffary for the prefervation of our fraile Nature. And in fomuch as our bodies being borne naked by Nature, were diverly annoyed by the vntemperatnesse of the ayre, it most ingeniously invented the art of VVeavine and Tailery; not so much for defence and safegarde of our bodies from the iniury of the wether, as for ornament and decencie: and to the lelfe same end hath it also found out (in a word) all the other Mechanicall artes, togither with the venturous art of Navigation. Againe, perceaving that the frailtie of mans nature made it obnoxious and subject to infinite infirmities, it practifed the vertue of hearbes and other naturall thinges, and so devised the arte of Physicke. And considering that man was by nature a fociable creature, it began by pollicy to affemble men together; and to the end they might be the more safely provided for in that kinde of life, it ordained the order of Domesticall and Civill government; inducing them withall to divide their fieldes amongst themselves by e-Aj.

qual portions, foreleeing that by this meanes they should be the more carefully manured. And finally knowing that there was one Creator, director, governor of the whole world, and the finall end of mankind, it stirred up our will to loue and defire the fame.

VV hereas then this faculty of understanding was the inventor of so many worthy artes and sciences, being also the meanes whereby our minde is united in this life to his foveraigne ende by grace, and in the next by glory, that remayneth most evident which I purposed in the beginning, that the fame is the most noble and worthy of all the giftes of God. Yet notwithstanding the excellency and worth thereof to mankind, it standeth in neede of lervantes and helpers. And amongst all other things of that other faculty of the mind called Memory. Wherfore the Philosophers teach him that would understand any thing, to convert himselfe to the fantalies that are in his memory: whence they fay that memory ferveth to the understanding, as the Treasury to the treasurer. For whatsoever the vnderstading knoweth, it layeth the same up there; and so keepeth it in memory, that when soever it hath vse thereof, it may take it from thence againe. And allthough the memory intellective be the selfesame thing with the vnderstanding, yet hath it neede of another distinct faculty, by vertue where of it performeth his operations of understanding: & this is the Corporall memory.

But because this corporall memory cannot containe all things (because - it is like a vessel, which after it is ful spilleth whatsoever by overplus is powred into it) it hath neede likewise of some other helpe; and principally of the most Noble arte of Painting; first invented by the understanding for this purpose. Wherefore the vnderstanding (as hath beene saide) hath much neede of the memory, that so it may returne anewe to the understanding of that which it had before intelligently perceived; and the memory (because it cannot remember all things,) hath neede of some other helper and remembrancer: Nowe amongst all other instruments for that purpose, Painting is the chiefe. Which I holde for an invincible trueth. If then it be true (as it cannot be denied) that the use of writing was first invented to the ende that those Artes and sciences, which were founde out by the labour and industrye of ingenious men, might not be lost, because the power memorative corporall, could not containe all the similitudes and Ideas of so many things as are in the world, (which are infinit in possibility) & so many propositions as are contained in all the arts and sciences, &c. If this I say be true, that Characters and the vse of writing were first invented to preserve the memory of the Sciences, it followeth inevitably, that * Painting is an instrumet under which the treasury of the memory is al languages. contained, infomuch as writingis nothing else, but a picture of white and black. Whence the Egyptias, under the pictures of beafts and other living thinges, used to deliver all their sciences, and other secrets, both sacred and prophane: so that vnto them Painting served as a treasury, where they referved the hidden riches of their mysticall knovyledges to all succeeding ages. From vyhome by tracte of time wee haue received so greate benefit in matters appertaining aswell to Philosophy, as Astrologie, by the

the handes of Plato, Pythagoras, and other Philosophers, who fayled into Egypt to transport it from thence; so that they are now become the Schoolemaisters of all Europe. In imitation of whome the ancient Romans composed those Emblemes which they used to set up in private and publicke places, with the pictures of men and beatles, hiding under them not onely great mysteries of morall and naturall Philosophie, but also most sharpe spurs to stirre up mens mindes to braue and worthy attempts: some fragments wherof are yet remaining in Europe. Neither caused they to be painted Emblemes and Hieroglyphickes alone, but also the famous deedes of Hieroglyworthy men, to stirre up mens mindes with emulation of the like glorious Emblemes. enterprises. Whence for exaples of fortitude we shal finde Horatius Cosles defending the bridge called Sublitius most couragiously against a great troupe of the Tulcanes, in one place. And in an other, M. Marsellus who by cutting off the head of Britomarte a Chieftaine of the French, discomfited the whole hoast of the enemy. For paternes of military discipline Papirius the Dictator, who dismissed Q: Fabius Rutilius being general of the field, because contrary to his comandemet he bad battaile to the Samnites. although he obtained a most glorious victory: And Post humius the Dictator, who put his owne some to death, because he got a conquest over his enemies by breaking his ranke. For examples of loue towards their country Mar: Curtius who cast himselfe, horse, and all into a bottomlesse gulfe: The 2. Decii: the father in the Romane war, the sonne in the Tuscane; and the nephewe in the battaile against Pyrrhus king of Epirus, all which for their countries good refused not most certaine and imminent death, with infinite other histories which I purposely omit.

Besides they Painted the figures and shapes of diverse Gods, as may appeare by manie fragmentes thereof at this day, in Rome. By occasion whereof the Romanes were first stirred up and incited to Religion. And finallie in their private houses they kept the counterfeits and statues of their auncestors in memory of their vertues, and for example to their posteritie. Nowe I holde it superfluous to discourse at large how greate the vse of Painting was amongst the Grecians, insomuch as whatfoever hath bin fayed of the request it was in with the Romanes, was whollie donne after the imitation of them. Who verie well understanding the use and profite thereof, held it alwaies in most reverend regarde. So that they spared no cost to purchace whatsoever they found excellent in that arre. Whence it is reported that Kinge Attalus gaue an hundreth talentes for a table done by Aristides the Thebane Painter. And that K. Candaulus gaue as much for one of Bularchus his tables, where hee had most lively expressed the destruction of Magnesia in a very small

compasse.

And to conclude the rewardes wherwith the Grecians honored Paynters (as may appeare by all their Histories, and so many excellent peeces brought from them by the Romans, when their Empire most flourished) doe sufficiently testifie in what regard they had this most noble Arte.

Here the author entreth into a large discourse of the vse of Images, which because

because it crosseth the doctrine of the reformed Churches, and his greatest warrant thereof is his bare affertion, I have thought good to omitte: the conclusion of which discourse neverthelesse is this: vz. Notwithstanding my meaning is not that Images are the totall cause of so great effectes. for this were an impious opinion. Onely this I affirme, that the picture mooveth the eye, and that committee th the species and formes of the thinos Seene to the memory, all which it representeth to the understanding, which considereth of the truth and falshood of those things, which being perfectly understood it representeth them to the will, which if the thing be evill. it abandoneth and for saketh; if good, it loveth, and naturally embraceth the Came. By all which you may eafily judge of what excellent vie Paynting is. For it is an instrument of the memory of the understanding, and of the will: It is a figne and figure invented by men to represent all things, both naturall and artificiall; to refemble the Angels, the Saintes, and Vertue it selfe, to farre forth as it may bee resembled. But for avoyding tediousnesse. I will amplifie this most copious argument of the commendation of Paynting no farther, endevoring nothing more then brevitye; as may be gathered by that which hath beene hitherto spoken: especially considering, that this arte is like a linely booke of all the sayings and doings of present

and former times.

And although it would require an infinite discourse to speake of the end thereof, yet haue I thought good to knitt vp all brieflie in one worde, by faying, that it is an Instrument, whereby greate matters may bee performed. Howbeit wee must observe by the way, that it is in the number of those things which are to bee desired for their owne sakes. Because our minde of it selfe conceiveth greate pleasure and contentment in beholding a beautifull picture at the very first viewe, and as it were coursorilie. (without any farther consideration what it particularly representeth,) but is afterwards much more delighted therwith, when it considereth the symmetry and proportion thereof done by a skilfull hande; pondering with himselfe that admirable workemanshippe, whereby the immoueable and senselesse picture seemeth as it were to mooue, daunce, runne, call, strike with the hande, and moone his whole body forwards, backwards, on the right hand, and on the left: Confidering farther, how the Painter by helpe of his colours representeth vppon a plaine the thicknesse and eminencies of any bodie, the flesh, hayre, apparrell, and the light it selfe, whereby all these things are seene: And that which is more strange, how on a flatte furface hee can expresse three or fowre men one behinde another, yea a whole army, and a whole Province. Finally our vnderstanding hath proceeded so farre by way of invention, that it hath not spared to imitate Nature the framer of the Elements, plants, trees, beafts, and men themselues. VVhich argument were fitter for a Rhetorician to handle, then for mee a plaine Painter, who am onlie acquainted with the varietie of materiall colours. But because it seemeth necessary, as well for the understanding of that which hath beene spoken, as of that which followeth, to know the true difference and agreement betweene Painting and Carving, I will briefely deliver mine opinion concerning this point: so that peradventure neither the carvers shall arrogate to themselves that praise which is due unto Painters, nor we be deprived of the fruit of our labour, insomuch as the controver-sie hath beene betweene the Painters and Carvers, whether of their two Artes should be the worthier; and divers have judged diversely: some in favour of Painting, and others of Carving; as my selfe whensever I had occasion to discourse of this matter, have alwaies defended Painting: because I had determined to publish this worke, wherein I purposed to handle it more at large; hoping that as well for the novelty, as the waight of the reasons which shalbe brought, it would not prooue unacceptable to the reader.

ceiue thereof in the first chapter: where it shall bee particularly discussed, whether of them is the worthier. A point (in my judgement) not to have

binne omitted of such as have handled this argument. This then I lay for a ground: that Painting, and carving are contained under one, and the felfesame Arte; according to this rule: Those things which agree in a thirde. goree betweene them selves. Now if it bee objected, that by this meanes 2 man, and an horse are all one, because both of them be living creatures, the argument followeth not: for although they agree in a generality of being living creatures, yet they differ in specialty of kinde. The like is to bee faide of painting and carving. Howbeit we must consider farther, that as there is none effentiall difference betweene two particular men; because both of them are reasonable creatures; so carving and painting cannot be faide to differ essentially, because both of them tende to the selfesame ende, by representing individual substances: which each of them doth indifferently, by imitating the Geometricall quantity of the same individuallthing: endevoring equally to expresse the beauty, comelinesse, motions, and bowings of things; and in a worde, both of them intending nothing else, but to resemble things as neere to the life as may be. Wherefore supposea king were proposed to a painter, and a carver for each of them to counterfeit; questionlesse both of them would conceiue the selfe same Idea.

and similitude of him, proceeding in their mindes with the same discourse of reason, and arte, having the same purpose, and ende to make the counterfeit as like the person of the king, as they coulde. Moreover they would vie the selfe same meanes: for both of them must needes bee inforced to imitate the person of the king, by observing the same geometrical quantity of him: suppose of tenne saces in length; and keeping all his gestures, lineamentes &c. making them neither too bigge, nor too little, but instant the kinges are, observing with all the quantity, and fashion of his foreheade, eies, nose, mouth, and the rest of his bodie: whence the counterfeit would prooue answerable to the kings body in all respectes. So that both these artificers would proceede, according to the same rules of arte in their minde, and vnderstanding. Then, before they went about the matter, they would delineate vpon paper, or some other matter, all that which they

First then it shall not bee amisse to consider the agreement and difference, betwixt these two artes: for so shall we be the better able to conving difference,

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had first conceived in their minde: and so the draught expressing the Ideas of both these workmen, would agree in expressing the true resemblance, which is the effence of this arte: differing perchance accidentally only. For one of them would fet the legge or arme in a diverse position and gesture, although the king had prescribed one certaine action and gesture to them both according to which he would be drawne; suppose standing. I grant that the one painteth, and the other carveth: but this is only a materiall difference, which maketh not a specificall difference in an art or science. It is only the essential difference which maketh distinction of species, and diversitie of science. But this appeareth not in painting and carving; and so it maketh no specificall difference to worke the kings Couterfeit in stone, marble, or on a table; with the pencell or carving toole: because all these are materiall differences. So that as it were an absurde thing for him that worketh the king in marble, to fay to him that worketh him in woode, that he were not a carver, because he wrought in woode, and himselfe in marble: so were it as idle a thing for the carver to say to the painter, that they two were not exercised about the same arte; because himselfe worketh in marble, and the painter on a table or cloth; the one with a carving toole, and the other with a pencell. If then the diversitie of matter alone doth not cause the diversity of artes, we must needes conclude that they cannot bee distinct and specificall artificers, whereof the one worketh the Counterfeit of the felfe same thing in a table, and the other in marble. And although he represent the whole body of the king with all his lineamentes, which the painter doth not, yet it followeth not that they are distinct artes; because more or lesse make no specificall or proper difference. So that this reason will not follow: This figure is entirely rounde, and that but halfe; therefore that is carved, and this painted. Or thus: The painter representeth but one halfe in his picture, and the carver the whole, therefore the one is a distinct arte from the other. For the reason why the painter expresseth but one side or view, is, because hee worketh on a plaine: so that if hee expresse but one halfe of the picture, whether it be forwardes or backewardes, it is by reason of the imperfection of the matter, which is flat and plaine: and not long of the arte. So that my absolute conclusion is that it is an arte, whereby you may worke a figure in marble, woode, filver, or golde; and by the same draw it on a table, paper, or wall. Concluding with all, that wee painters are conversant about the most difficult and absolute part of the arte, (as in his due place shalbe shewed.)

The Inventors. And now a worde or two of the first inventors and perfiters of Painting: because, having discoursed of the excellencie thereof, by deducing it from the finall cause, the order of the place requireth, that I should elikewise say somewhat of the efficient cause; referring the handling of the formall and materiall causes, to the beginning of the first booke. Now as there are two things, which doe especially digniste and nobilitate a man: first, nobility and the famous field of his ancestours; secondly, antiquitie, which addeth very much to the glory of nobilitie, and discent: so all sciences are so much the more famous, by how much the more famous, and ancient the inventors

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thereof have beene. Whereas then Painting, Carving and Plasticke are all but one and the same arte, (as hath been e prooved,) it resteth that I nowe thew, how no arte in the world hath found more ancient, wife, or noble inventors then it. For who knoweth not, that at the beginning of the world before man was created, God himselfe was the first Platticke-worker? who taking some of that virgine elementary earth, which himselfe had first created, with his owne hande hee framed the moulde of the first man, and afterwardes most miraculously inspired it with a living soule. And of men (if we will credit the Hebrewes) Enos the lonne of Seth was the first, (as the Supplement of Chronicles reporteth) that formed certaine images to stirre vppe the people to the reverence and feare of God. But we may more truely attribute the praise of this most worthy invention to Winus king of the Assyrians, who (as stories report) having celebrated the functall of Belus his father, (called also Nimrod, and of the Assvrians, Saturne, being the first king of Babylon,) to mitigate some part of the forrowe of his fathers death, and in some measure to restore so great a losse, caused his image to bee carved. After the deluge, it is evident that Prometheus the sonne of Iaphet, and Asia the Nymph, was the first inventor of Plasticke: who (as Saint August: de Civit: Dei,lib. 18. & Eusebius witnesse) was in so greate request with the Arcadians, being of a most pregnant wit and founde wisedome; that he brought the rude and barbarous people to a civile conversation, being the first that formed mens images of earth, adding a certaine artificiall motion vnto them, so that they feemed to be indued with spirit and life: whence afterwardes the Poets tooke occasion to invent such fables as we reade of him. Afterwardes the excellencie and profite of this arte being better knowne, it began to bee divulged to the whole province, so that the first inventors thereof began tobe highly honoured. Hence Gyges the Lydian amongst the Ægyptians, Pyrrhus amongst the Grecians, and Polygnotus the Athenian amongst the Corinthians, were highly esteemed; because they were the first amoust them which found out Painting.

They began first to paint onely with Blacke and VV hite, the authors Plin. lib. 35. whereof were Ardices the Corinthian, and Telephanes the Sicyonian. ca.1 2 3.4. &c. Afterwardes Cleophantus the Corinthian brought uppe the use of Colours, though he used but one only Colour, which (as the Historiographers write) they called Monochroma. After this, Apollodorus the Athenian began to use the pencell; as also Cumanus the Athenian, who was the first that distinguished the male from the female. Cimon Cleondus did much beautifie the arte by finding out the fore-shortning of Pictures, casting the countenance so artificially, that it seemed to looke every way; teaching moreover how to represent the plaites and fouldes of garments, together with the veines and mulcles in the body. Not long after, Paneus the brother of Phidias the carver, added great perfection therunto, by teaching the way how to paint women, with white garments fringed, and with coroners of golde vppon their heads: He Painted the battaile betwixt the Athenians and the Persians, and invented the arte of drawing by the Life; by Counterfeiting A iiij.

rerraine preate noble men; as of the Persians Tisafernes of the Athenians Miltiades and Cynegyrus, Parrhasius the Ephesian did also adorne it in many things, and so did Zeuxes, who first invented the sleight of shadowing. And finally Apelles added the last perfection, by the helpe of Geometry and Arithmeticke, without which his Maister Pamphilus was wont to say, that no man could prooue a Painter: Whereunto agreeth that usuall faving of Bernard Lovinus of late memory, that a painter without the Perspectives was like a Doctor without Grammer. Farthermore the excellency of this arte is fuch, that the majesty of kings and Emperours disdained not the practize therof. And no marvile: for it is an arte wherunto lo many things are required, that only liberall, ingenuous, & mighty me can exercise it with comedation, being as it were a compenditiof the greater part of the liberal arres: my meaning is that they cannot exercise it without good in sight into many of the as Geometry, Arithmetike, Architecture, and Perspective. For without the knowledge of lines, superficies, profundities, thicknesse, and geo. metricall figures, which are the foundation of his arte, what can the painter doe? Without the skill of Architecture how can he represent houses. Pallaces, Churches, and other buildings to the eie? without Arithmeticke how can be understand the proportion of mans body, of any frame, or other thing either artificiall or naturall? And without the Perspectives how can he * heighthen a picture, make the fore-shortning, or represent the other motions? Farthermore it is necessary for a painter to haue the knowledge of histories as well facred as prophane, and that not only of the Grecians and Romans, but also of the Medes and Persians, as also of all other nations: he should also be indifferently seene in the Anatomie. And to conclude he should be acquainted with so many artes and sciences, that he had need be not only a freeman, but wealthy also, that so he may be able to furnish himselfe with necessary bookes, and have wherewithall to reward a master to instruct him. Whence you may easily coniecture, what blame the painters of our unhappy times deserue, who undertake the profession and practife of this art, not onely without the knowledge of the about-named artes, but even without the skill to write or reade; and being constrained by meere necessity for the getting of a poore living, do nothing els but dawbe filthy ale-house cloathes, and Church wals, to the great discredit of fo famous an arte, and with the scorne of men of understanding, which beholde and confider such pictures. Which things whiles I well confidered with my selfe, after I had bestowed much labour and industry in the arte, I resolved at the last to compose this treatise, which I have divided into 7. bookes: to the end that although I cannot perswade men of these our daies to study the perfection of this most necessary science of painting; Yet I mighte drawe them at the least to bestowe some time in this my worke, where they shall finde gathered together (as much as in me lay) if not all, yet furely a great part of that which is necessary to the perfecting thereof.

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DIVISION OF THE VVORKE.

HERE is a two-folde proceeding in all artes and sciences: The one is called the order of nature, and the other of teaching. Nature proceedeth ordinarily, beginning with the unperfect, as the particulars, and ending with the perfect, as the universals.

Now if in searching out the nature of things, our understan-

ding shall proceede after that order, by which they are brought forth by nature. doubtle Be it will be the most absolute and ready method that can bee imagined. For we beginne to know things by their first and immediate principles, which are well knowne unto us, not by meere Idea, as separated from the particulars (as some thinke) nor by bare imagination, as if they were seated only in our vnderstanding (as others would have it) but as they doe actually concurre to the forming of the particulars which are subject to our sense, and may be pointed at with our finger : And this is the most certaine way of knowing, among st all the rest: It is evident then that our understanding beginning his operation from the particulars, beginneth to knowe them by their matter and forme which are their first, and immediate principles, being neither really abstracted from the particulars, not yet by meere conceite placed in our understanding, as in a subject; but doe actuallie concurre to the making of a Compounde; suppose Peter or John: andmay be sensibly demonstrated to be in Peter or John; then the which what proofe can bee more evident? being drawne from the things before our eies. And this is not only mine opinion but Aristotles also, who writeth, that the first principles may bee prooved by sense: meaning that the sensible proofe is more certaine then the Intellectuall; whence a thing may then bee faide to bee knowne by nature, when it is of such a nature, that it may be seene and perceived by the other senses. And this is the reason why Aristotle in the beginning of his Physickes faith, that the particulars may bee knowne by their owne nature: all which if we could comprehend within our vnderstanding, we should be most wife: but it is impossible, that wher as they are infinite in posibilitie, they should be comprehended of that which is finite in act. Wherefore although some heavenly creature, perchance, may be capable of the understanding of all those particulars, which are actually created, yet not withstanding because there are not somanie particulars actuallie in the world, but that there might bee a greater number created (in so much as they wholie depend upon the will of God in his providence) therefore this possibilitie, or (to speake more plainelie) all the particulars alreadie created and made, together with those which shallbe made, and brought into the world, may be knowne only UBto

unto God by his prescience. And this Aristotle in part affirmed when hee Caid that the particulars were knowne to Nature, meaning, perchance to the first moover of Nature, which is God. The particulars then may be knowne of their owne nature: Because looke how much actuality they have (as the Philosophers (beake) (omuch abilitie they have to be knowne : but they have an actuall beeing; Therefore there matter is not in meere possibilitie, but is brought into Act by their forme which doth not rest idlely in the matter, but is occupied in bringing it forth into Act: And looke what is faid of Individual substances. is likewise ment of Individual Accidents. It is evident therefore that if wee doe not under stand the particulars, it is not because they cannot be under stood. of their owne nature, but by reason of our owne defect : because we cannot comprehende the infinite multitude of them: wherefore our understanding ought not to know things by the order of Nature, seeing it cannot comprehend all the particulars, which are infinite: but it must beginne with the order of Teaching, whereof it is capable. This Method then proceeding from the vniver sals to the particulars, may easily be understood of us, because our under stading is of that nature that it properly understandeth universals in so much as the power of our minde is spiritual and therefore willingly embraceth univer-Call things separated from their matter, and made (after a sorte) spirituall by

the helpe of the Active understanding.

VV hereupon I purposing to handle the Art of painting in this present discour fe, meane to follow the order of Teaching. And because I might perchace. commit an ab furdity, if in ripping it up too high I should beginne to define unto the reader what maner of thing Qualitie is, and howe many kindes thereof there besto teach him what Habitus and Dispositio, what forma and figura is and how painting by diver se considerations is comprehended under that species of Qualitie (which appertaineth rather to a Logician or a Philosopher the to a Painter) therefore I (observing Horaces precept, who woulde not have a man beginne the history of the Troian warre at the two egges of Leda, that is, that in handling amatter he ought not to take his beginning too farre off from the present matter in hand) meane first to beginne with the definition of Painting, which is the first, most generall, and immediate principle, as most properly offering it selfe to our consideration: wherein afterwards I purpose to shew the true genus thereof, which is the first part of the definition, and consequentlie al the differences cocurring to the same, for the restraining of the genus which is a species of quality called Arte, and maketh the most special kinde of Qualitie called painting: And because the differences which make painting a particular and distinct Arte from all others are fine: viz. Proportion, Motion, Colour, Light & Perspective: I wil orderly handle each of them in a several book: fo that the first shall intreate of Proportion, which is the first difference of painting, the second of Motio, the third of colour, the fourth of Light, and the fift of that part of perspective, which is necessary for a Painter: 6 so in the se five bookes I wil observe the order of Teaching, which beginneth with the most vniver (all and immediate principles of Painting, namely the Definition: and afterwardes, I will come to the fine partes which limit out the arte of painting. But considering with my selfe that all young practitioners in this arte shall hardly

hardly bee able to make vee of the fe contemplatine and philosophicall preceptes delivered in the fe fine first bookes, where I have handled the effentiall and principall partes of painting by generall rules, which are not familiar to our sense. and therefore (not easie for every man to discerne under what generall heade this or that particular is placed) I wholy intending the profite and commoditie of the learner, have adjoined a fixt booke, wherein I will handle that Practically, which in the fine former bookes is taught Theorically, because the order of Teaching requireth, that the Practile should follow the speculation. And because the young Practitioner hath neede not only of the rules of Arte, but also of the precepts of Iudgement and discretion, immediatly before the discourse it selfe of the Practile, I have prefixed a compendium of the rules of Arte, topether with a collection of the preceptes of Discretion and Indgment, which an artisane ought to vse in Painting: For it sufficeth not that he can paint well. except he can also performe it with Judgement and Discretion. And last of all I have laide downe certaine examples for their more ready practife and expersence in the Arte of Painting.

Now although in the se sixe bookes the whole perfection of Painting be contained, yet not with standing, considering with my selfe that Historie is an accident most necessarily accompanying the same, to the ende the Painter mighte proceede in his practise with the more sudgement; I thought good to ease him of the labour of turning and perusing many bookes, by adding a seventh booke, wherein is handled all such Historie as is necessarie for a Painter: beginning at Heaven and so proceeding unto Hell: by teaching the way howe Gods and Angels have beene expressed, and in what forme of habite antiquity was wont to paint the Planets, the Elementes, and other thinges: For the knowledge whereof the reading and perusing of Instinite volumes, was otherwise necessarily required. All which I have done without any regarde of my private prost and commodity, to the ende I might benefite men of my profession, who ought in reason (as I hope they will) to esteeme and regarde my paines undertaken as welfor their good, as for the amplifying of this Arte, considering the litle helpe and light which other mens labours could afforde me, in so much as this mat-

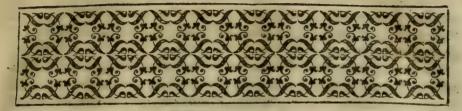
ter hath beene touched of so few, that I may boldly say without arrogancie, my selfe was the first that beganne to write hereof in so artificiall, and methodicall sort; having now opened a ready way, whereby other men maie the more speedily attainet therunto.

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The Definition of Painting.

CHAP. I.

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AINTING is an arte, which with proportionable ines, and colours answerable to the life, by obseruing the Perspective light, doeth so imitate the nature of corporall thinges, that it not onely representeth the thicknesse and roundnesse thereof woon a flat, but also their actions and gestures, expressing moreouer di-

uers affections and passions of the minde.

For the better vnfolding of which Definition we must vnderstand, that every naturall thing consisteth of matter and forme: whereunto Genus and Difference answere in Logicke. Whence the Logicians say, that Genus declareth the effence of things, and difference their forme and effentiall quality. Wherefore I thinke it not amisse, according to this doctrine, to lay open the aboue named Definition, by expounding al the differences, wherby the art of Painting, is distinguished from all other arts and sciences. The Genus then in Painting is Arte, which is produed by two reasons. The The Genus first is drawne from the Definition of Arte it selfe, which is nothing els but a sure and certaine rule of thinges to be made. The second from the naturall thinges themselves, which are a rule and measure to the greater part of the Artes and sciences in the worlde, (in so much as they

are Gods creatures, and consequently indued with all such perfection, as their nature is capable of, and therefore may well bee a certaine rule to

artificiall things.

Hence it appeareth that Painting is an arte; because it imitateth naturall thinges most precisely, and is the Counterfeiter and (as it were) the very Ape of Nature: whose quantity, eminencie, and colours, it ever striveth to imitate, performing the same by the helpe of Geometry, Arithmeticke, Perspective, and Naturall Philosophie, with most infallible demonstrations. But because of artes, some be Liberall, and some Mechanicall, it shalnot be amisse, to shew amongst which of them Painting ought to be numbred. Now Plinie calletin it plainly a Liberal arte; which authority of his may be prooued by reason. For although the Painter cannot attaine becall arte. to his ende, but by working both with his hand and pencel; yet there is so little paines and labour bestowed in this exercise, that there is no ingenuous man in the world, vnto whose nature it is not most agreeable and infinitely pleasant.

For we reade of the French King Francis, the first of that name, that hee oftentimes delighted to handle the pencell, by exercising drawing and painting. The like whereof is reported of divers other Princes, as well auncient as late. Amongst whom, I may not conceale Charles Emanuell Duke of Sauoie, who, (as in all other heroicall vertues, so amongst other liberall sciences in this) imitated and most happely equalled, that great King Francis his Grandsather by the mothers side: So that in these and the like exercises, nothing is base or Mechanicall, but all Noble and

ingenuous.

For to say the trueth: what Prince or ingenuous man is there, which taketh not delight, with his pencell to imitate God in Nature, so farre foorth as he is able? Farthermore it cannot be denied, but that the Geometritian also worketh with the hande, by drawing lines; as circles, triangles, quadrangles, and such like figures; neither yet did euer any man therefore account Geometrie a Mechanicall arte, because the handlabour therein imployed is so sleight, that it were an absurdity in respect thereof, to reckon it a base condition.

The like reason is there of Painting, the practise whereof, doth so little weary a man, that he which was Noble before, cannot justly be reputed base by exercising the same. But if, besides all this, we shall farther consider, that Painting is subordinate to the Perspectives, to natural Philosophy, and Geometrie (al which out of question are liberall sciences;) and moreouer that it hath certaine Demonstrable conclusions, deduced from the first and immediate principles thereof, wee must needes conclude that it is a Liberall Arte.

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Nowe what kinde of liberall arte it is (to omitte all other proofes) maie easily appeare by the foresaide definition: where it is first saide: that, It representeth upon a plaine, the thickenesse and roundenesse of bodily thinges: not excepting any, eyther Naturall or Artisiciall: whereby wee maye gather, that it belongeth to the Painter also to repre-

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Cent Pallaces, Temples, and all other thinges thade by the hand of the arrificer.

Moreover it is faide, that, It representeth the figure woon a plaine. And hereby it is distinguished from Caruing (though not essentially, but onelieaccidentally (as is faide in the Proeme) by reason of the diversitie of the matter, wherein both of them represent Natural thinges) which imig rateth nature likewise, though it expresse the perfect roundnesse of the bodies as they are created of God: whereas the Painter representeth them vppon a flatte superficies: which is one of the chiefe reasons, why Painting. hath ever bin preferred before carving.

Because by meere arte, vppon a flat, where it findeth onelie length, and breadth, it representeth to the eiethe third Dimension, which is rounde. nesse and thicknesse: and so maketh the bodie to appeare vppon a flatte.

where naturally it is not.

Farthermore it is added in the Definition: That it representeth the bo- Motion. dily motions; which is most true. For in that famous picture of the last * Judgement, donne by the hande of the Divine Michaell Angelo in the 'Vid George Popes Chappell at Rome, who sees not what motions may bee expressed life of M. Ans in bodies, and in what order they may be placed? There may you fee our gellipagi. 147. Lady S. John, and the other Saints represented with great feare, whiles they beheld Christ mooved with indignation against the wicked, who seeme to flie away and hide themselves behind his backe, that they might not behold his angrie countenance, wholie inflamed with indignation. There shall you beholde the guiltie, who being aftonished with feare, and not able to indure his glorious presence, seeke darke dennes and deepe caues to hide themselves in.

On the one fide, you shall finde the Saintes seeming (in a forte) to finish the acte of the resurrection, ascending up into the ayre, to be placed at the right hande of Chirst. On the other side, you woulde thinke you fawe the Angelles comming downe from heaven with the standard of the Crosse. And on the other, carrying the blessed soules to bee placed at the

right hand of God.

And to conclude, there is no corporall motion, whether it bee forwardes or backewardes, on the right hande or on the left, vpwards or downewardes, which may not bee seene expressed, in this most artificiall and admirable picture. But if wee shall farther consider the Passions and motions of the minde, whereof the definition maketh menon likewife, they are also to be found in the same worke, with no lesse arte then admiration to the beholder, especially in Christ: in whome you may fee wrath and indignation so kindled, that he seemeth to be altogether in censed therewith.

Againe, both in the * Saintes and Daned foules, being appalled and con "In the fainte fused, is most lively expressed, an exceeding dread and horror of the wrath- areverent, in the damned full Iudge. And in a word, many motions aswell of the body, as of the mind, a desperate are to bee founde in the workes of this divine Bonarvotus, of the rare feare. Raphaell Vibine, and of other worthy Painters both olde and newe; af-

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well of love as hatred, fadnesse as mirth, and all other passions of the minde.

Proportion.

All which representations are after declared in that part of the definition, where it is saide, that Painting with proportionable lines maketh from Where wee must note that the Painter in his descriptions, doth not drawe lines at randome without rule, proportion, or arte, (as some vained by haue imagined) since the arrantest bunglers that are, proceede with some litle methode. And although Horace in his booke de arte Poètical saith: that,

The Poet and the Painter hath like patent to invent Astory, and dispose the same as shall him best content:

Yet that is thus to be understoode, that it is lawfull for him to expresse a figure in what action hee list: As in shewing Iulius Casar in the Pharsas lian warre in some action, which peradventure he never did; as setting him in the Vawarde, when he, perchance, was found in the Rearewarde, or representing him encouraging his souldiers to valour, which, perchance, he neuer did: This only excepted, the Painter is bounde to proceede in as his workes according to proportion and arte. Wherefore before you beginne to Stell, delineat and tricke out the proportion of a man, you ought to know his true quantity and stature. For it were a grosse absurdity to make a man of the length of tenne faces, which was of eleven or twelue. Besides this, we ought to know what proportion the for-heade hath with the nose, the nose with the mose, the nose with the mose, the nose with the mose, and in a worde to learne the true proportions of all things Naturals and Artificials.

Now because it seemeth a matter of great difficulty, and almost impossible, for one man to attaine to the full perfection of all this knowledge, we may propose vnto vs the example of the most indicious Apelles, who when he vndertooke any special peece of worke, wherein hee meant to shew the vtmost of his skill, hee vsed to hang it forth to publicke view, hiding himselfe behinde, to the ende hee might harken what every mans indgement was, concerning the proportion and workemanshippe therefor, and according to each mans censure of such things as appertained to their professions, he still corrected his worke: as on the contrary side he did consute and reprehende the censures of such as woulde take vpon them, to give their indgementes of such things as appertained not to their professions (as did the Shoomaker, who not content to finde fault with the shooe of one of his pictures, would needes censure the other parts)

*Let not the vnto whom he answered: * Ne sutor ultra crepidam.

Sowter prefume beyond his flipper. Order.

Farthermore the Painter ought to observe an order and method in these proportionable lines: therein imitating Nature in her proceedinges: who first presupposeth matter being a thing voide of forme, beauty, bound, or limite, and afterwardes bringeth in the forme, which is a beautifull and limited thing. In like sorte the Painter taking a table (in the surface whereof there is nothing but a stat and plaine superficies, without beautie or limitation of parts) he trimmeth, primeth and limiteth it by

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tracing thereon a man, a horse, or a Columne, forming and tricking the true proportion thereof, and (in a word) imitating by lines the nature of the

thing to be painted in breadth, length, and thicknesse.

And because in this place there falleth out a certaine precept of Mishael Angelo much for our purpose, I wil not conceale it, leaving the farther interpretation and vnderstanding thereof to the judicious reader. Asule It is reported then that Michael Angelo vpon a time gaue this observation to the Painter Marcus de Sciena his scholler that he should alwaies make a figure Pyramidall, Serpentlike, and multiplied by one two and three. In which precept (in mine opinion) the whole mysterie of the arte consisteth. For the greatest grace and life that a picture can have, is, that it expresse Motion: which the Painters call the fpirite of a picture: Nowe there is no forme so fitte to expresse this motion, as that of the slame of fire. Which according to Aristotle and the other Philosophers, is an elemente most active of all others: because the forme of the slame thereof is most apt for motion: for it hath a Conus or sharpe pointe wherewith it seemeth to divide the aire, that so it may ascende to his proper sohere. So that a picture having this forme will bee most beauti-

Now this is to bee understoode after two fortes: either that the Conus of the Pyramis bee placed vpwardes and the base downe-wardes, as in the fier; or elle contrary wile, with the base vpwardes and the Conus downewardes: In the first it expresseth the width and largenesse of a picture, about the legges and garmentes belowe; Thewing it slender about Prramidall-wife, by discovering one shoulder and hiding the other, which is shortned by the turning of the body. In the seconde, it sheweth the sigure biggest in the vpper partes; by representing either both the shoulders, or both the armes, shewing one legge and hiding the other, or both of them after one forte, as the skilfull Painter shall judge fittest for his purpose. So that his meaning is, that it shoulde resemble the forme of the letter S placed right, or else turned the wronge way, as sbecause then it hath his beauty. Neither oughte hee only to observe this forme in the whole body, but even in every part: fo that in the legge, when a muscle is rayled outwardes on the one side, that which answereth directly on the contrary fide, must be drawne in and hid (as may be seene in the life.)

The last parte of Michaell Angelo his observation was , that a picture ought to bee multiplied by one two and three. And heerein consistes the chiefest skill of that proportion, whereof I meane to intreate more at large in this booke. For the Diameter of the biggest place, betweene the knee and the foote is double to the least, and the largest parte of the thigh

But to returne to the Definition; that parte remaineth to be expounded, wherein it is faide, that Painting representeth thinges with Colours, like to the Life. Whence it is to be marked, that the artificiall painter ought to proceede according to the course of Nature, who first pre-

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The matter of Painting.

*Individuantes qualitates.

Forme, fi-

guce, place. flocke, name,

country,

time.

Supposeth matter (as the Philosophers hold) unto which it addeth a forme. But because to create the substances of things proceedeth from an infinite power, which is not founde in any creature (as the Divines teach) the Painter must take something in steed of matter: namely Quantitie proportioned; which is the matter of Painting. Here then the Painter must needs understand that proportioned quantitie and quantitie delineated are all one and that the same is the material substance of Painting. For hee must consider, that although hee be never so skillfull in the use of his colours, and yet lacketh this delineation, hee is unfurnished, of the principall matter of his arte, and consequently of the substantial part thereof. Neither let any man imagine that hereby I goe about to diminish the powre and vertue of colour, for as if all particular men should differ one from another in matter alone (wherein out of doubt all agree) then all men must needes bee one. and so that most acceptable variety of so many particulars as are now in the world, would be wanting (which variety is caused by those 7. particularities which the Philosophers call * particularizing qualities, that is * 7. substantiall accidents which cause the particularity and singularity of substances:) So if the Painter should only pourtrait out a man in just symmetry 2greeable to Nature; certainely this man would never bee sufficiently di-Hinguished by his meere quantity: because diverse men may agree in the fame quantity: But when unto this proportioned quantity he shall farther adde colour, then he giveth the last forme & perfection to the figure, info. much, that who loever beholdeth it may be able to fay: this is the picture of the Emperor Charles the fift, or of Philippe his sonne, it is the picture of a melancholie, flegmaticke, fanguine, or cholericke fellowe, of one in loue or in feare, of a bashfull young man &c. And to conclude the picture will attaine to such perfection, that the party counterfeited may easily bee knowne thereby. Wherefore I advize the Painter to be very skillfull in the use of colours; as in that wherein consisteth the whole perfection of his arte.

Painting and Carving differ.

And in this point alone is Painting distinguished from all other artes. and chiefely from Carving: because in precise imitation of the life the Painter performeth much more then the carver is able. For the carvers intent is onely to give the selfesame quantity to his figure, which his naturall parterne hath, so that his speciall purpose is to make the figure equal to the life, which cannot therefore be saied to be perfectly like thereunto; because Philosophie teacheth us that similitude is not properlie found in Quantity. but in Qualitie onely:now the colour which the Painter useth-giving thereby the true similitude and proper resemblance to his counterfeits, is most truelie and properlie Qualitie: And although wee usuallie call one thing like to another, when it hath the same quantitie, yet this is an improper speech: for if wee should speake properlie we should call it equall and not like. Wherefore similitude is founde onely in quality; and equalitie which the Carver confidereth, onely in Quantitie. But the painter doth not onelie indevor to give the true and just quatity to his figure, by making it equal to the life, as the carver dooth, but moreover addeth qualitie with his colours, giving thereby both quantity and similitude, which (as hath beene

prooved) the carver cannot doe.

Ir followeth in the definition, that in all this the Painter observeth the Light. Per (pettine light, without which he can doe nothing: For when he would represent naturall bodies, which are commonly rounde (because the light is diverfly received upon a round body, whole beames falling upon the first part thereof, doe cause a more manifest luster, then in the other partes, so that in the second they are weakned, and in the third almost quite lost) he must expresse this effect of the light as well with lines as colours. For the light which striketh the body with greatest vehemency, must be expressed with more rayled bowed covexed, & arched lines: that which falleth theron equally is to bee represented with straight lines; and when it beginneth to decay, you must beginne to make hollowe and circular lines, as they use in shaddowing concavities and holes, but with such a sweetnesse, that in the first partes where the light beginneth to decay they bee pretily arched, in the second a little more, and so proportionablie. Neither yet is it allwaies necessary, that the parte where the light thineth most, shoulde be placed more towardes us, and nearer our eie: for often times the figure is placed fidelong, and then the light striketh uppon that part which is farthest of from the eie. Now if any man obiect, that by this reason the part which is lesse lightned should be nearer us, whereas contrariwise upon the fudden it feemeth that the lightest part ought to stand neerest us, he must understand that this commeth to passe by meanes of the Perspectives . Because he which placeth a figure sidelong, sheweth the parte towardes us in greater quantity, with larger lines, whereby the Conus of the Pyramis Perspective commeth to our eye with a larger and blunter angle; and the parte which is farthest of from the eie is resembled with lesser lines as the Perspectives require; whence wee see with a sharper angle. And although one part be lightned, yet the light maketh not the lines seeme bigger then they are: and by this meanes they appeare lesser, as if that parte were farther of from the eie. And this is the reason why, when we see the face of a man, wee presently judge of all the partes thereof by the neerenesse or farnesse off.

Now the Painter expresset two thinges with his Colour: First the co. Adouble eflour of the thing whether it be artificiall or naturall: which he doth with the like colour; as the colour of a blewe garment with artificiall blewe; or the greene colour of a tree with a like greene. Secondly he expresseth the light of the sunne, or any other bright body apte to lighten or manifest the colours. And because Colour cannot be seene without light, being nothing els (as the Philosophers teach) but * the extreme superficies of a darke * This is true untran sparent body lightned, I hold it expedient for him that will prooue materially. exquisite in the use thereof, to be most diligent in searching out the effects of light, when it inlightnesh colour; which who so doeth seriously consider, that expresse all those effects with an admirable grace. And although the blewe be equally dispersed through all the parts of a garment, so that there is no more in one part then in another: yet notwithstanding when

it is illustrated by any light, it causeth one kinde of brightnesse in that part, where it striketh more vehemently, and another in that part, where it shines he she should be should be

Now when the Painter would imitate this blewe thus lightned, he shal take his artificiall blewe colour, counterfeiting therewith the blewe of the garment: but when he would expresse the light, wherewith the blew seemes clearer, he must mixe so much white with his blewe, as he findeth light in that part of the garment, where the light striketh with greater force, considering afterwardes the other part of the garment, where there is not so much light, and shall mingle lesse light with his blew proportionably, and so shall he proceede with the like discretion in all the other partes: and where the light falleth not so vehemently, but only by reslexion, there he shall mixe so much shadowe with his blew, as shall seeme sufficient to represent that light, loosing it selse as it were by degrees; provided alwaies, that where the light is lesse darkened; there he place lesse shadowe.

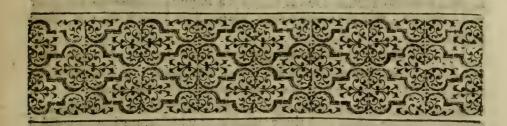
In which iudicious expressing of the effects of light together with the colours, Raphaell Vrbine, Leonard Vincent, Antonius de Coreggio and Tition were most admirable, handling them with so great discretion and iudgment, that their pictures seemed rather naturall then artificiall. Where amongst other thinges you shall finde certaine spottes in the carnation; the reason whereof the vulgar eie cannot conceaue; notwithstanding these conceipted workemaisters expressed their cheisest arte therein; considering with themselues that the light falling uppon the slesh, caused these and such like effectes: in which kinde Titian excelled the rest; who aswell to shewe his greate skill therein; as to merit commen dation, ussed to cosen and deceaue mens eies. The like did Mich: Angelo, who to make proofe of his singular insight in the Inatomie; inclyned somewhat toward the extreame, by raising up his muscles a little too much; and by this meanes shewed the eminencies and risinges; in which naturallie they were small, as in the bodye of CHRIST.

Againe Titian to make knowne his arte in lights and shaddowes, when he would expresse the lightest part of the bodie, used to adde a little too much white, making it much lighter them his paterne, and in the obscurer parts: where the light sell by restexion, a little too much shaddow, in resemblance of the decay of the light in that part of the bodie: and so his worke seemeth to bee much rayled, and deceaue the sight: for the light which commeth to the eie in a Pyramidall forme (as shalbe shewed in the booke of light) commeth with a blunter and bigger angle, and so is seene more evidently; whence ariseth a wonderfull eminencie, the especiall cause whereof is, because there is much more shadow then needeth in that part, where the light decaieth most for that the visuall lines sayling, that part cometh to the eie in an acuter and sharper angle, and therefore cannot bee seene so perfectlie, insomuch that, that part seemeth to she inwardes and stand sarther off. Thus when the forepartes of a bodie are much raised,

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and the hinder flie sufficiently inwardes; there appeareth a very great heightning; which giveth a wonderfull firite: And after this force Tiwere beguiled the cies of such as beheld his most admirable workes. Bur because this whole volume consisting of 7 bookes, contayneth nothing els but a large exposition of the Definition of Painting, I will now proceede rothe Division and a state of the state of the state of

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OF THE DIVISION OF PAINTING.

CHAP. II.



AINTING is either Contemplative or Practically the contemplative setteth downe generall precepts to be learned of every one that will become famous in the arte: the practicall giveth observations of discretion and judgement, by teaching how to put that in practife, which is generally conceived: and this parte have I relerved for the fixt booke, intituled of Practife. And because History is also necessary for a pain-

ter (as hath beene faide) I have according to the same order of Judgement, compiled a feventh booke concerning the fame.

The contemplative part is five-foulde: the first handleth Porportion: the fecond the motions, actions, and situation of figures, the third colour; Proportion the fourth light: and the fift Perspective: Proportion is of two sortes: Ei-proper, ther Proper, expressing the exact and true proportion of the thing to be represented as for example the exact proportion of a man, whose statute consisteth of nine or ten faces in length, is that the face in respect of the whole body, should be a ninth or tenth part thereof; And of this I meane to intreate in this booke: Or else in Perspectiue in respect of the eie, diffe- specime.

ring very much from the other. For according to the distance of the thing from the eie, it indgeth what proportion the head or face, hath with the whole bodie: So that if the Carver shall make the statue of a man of so heads, observing his true and naturall proportion, and asterwardes place it something high, questionsesses the eie will sudge thereof naturally, and being unproportionable: but if the beholder shall consider the Perspectives, hee will sinde by a Mathematicall Demonstration drawne from the nature of the visuall lines, that it carrieth a good proportion: The reason whereof is, because the statue being on high, and hee which beholdeth it belowe, the heade, sace and upper partes, will come to the eie in a sharp angle, and the legges and lower partes in a blunte, whence the beholder will conclude, that the upper partes are small in respect of the lower

partes.

Now the Philosophicall and Perspective reason hereofis because when the statue is represented in the middest of the open aire, which beeing transparent, is filled with certaine visuall species (like vnto those which are reflected from a looking glasse to the eie of the beholder,) vyhich comming into the eie, meete with those visuall lines, which come in a pyramidall forme, whole cone toucheth the eie. Nowe the Painter must not obferue both these proportions together in his worke, neither indeede can he. And who to desire the to product are must be sure that he doe hot alwaies give the true and naturall proportion to his pictures; least he fall into the like groffe errours, that some painters and carvers have done. who woulde needes observe the same. So that he only is reputed a true Phidias, or exact Apelles, who proportioneth his statue or picture, answerable to the place where it is to be fet, in respect of the beholders eie. As if the place be high, and the light low, he shall make the head and higher partes of his picture bigger then the life: that so the eie seeing it may judge it to be proportionable: As if he make the counterfeit of a line man of tenne faces standing vpright on his feete, and be to place the same very high, and the fight belowe, bee shall make the face thereof an eighth. ninth, or lo much bigger then the life, as neede thall require or if the mans face be a tenth part of his body, he shall adde thereunto an eighth or ninth part or as cause shall require; that so the picture may seeme proportionable to the eie: according to the generall rule which teacheth; that so much of that parte must be added, as is lost by the distance of the place; that so the picture may come to the eie in his due proportion. Which rule Phidias and Praxitiles observed, in those statues in * Monte Cavallo in Rome, which Michael Angelo measuring, found their faces to be so much bigger, as they loft by flanding in so high a place from whence the eie judgeth of them as most proportionable.

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The felfe-same order did that admirable workeman of Traians Columne keepe, whose vppermost pictures are likewise so much bigger, as they are diminished by reason of the distance of the place, wherefore they seeme all of an equal quantity. And (to conclude) all the most famous workemen both auncient and late, have diligently observed the same: The reason whereof

is; because Pictures and Statues were chieflie invented, to the ende that affoone as a man fawe any counterfeit in a table or in Marble, he might be presently put in minde of the Prototypon, whome it represented; so that by a consequent, the ende of pictures is to bee seene. Wherefore the Proportion must needes be answerable to the eie.

But you will aske mee what proportion a picture ought to have, which is drawne vppon a mooueable table or cloth, which may bee diverly placed either high, lowe, or levell with the eie: whereunto I answere that to the end these pictures may have a good grace, the Painter must alwaies imagine that they should hang something high, because the eie being seated in the vppermost place about all the other senses, is more delighted to looke voward. And this also was much practifed by Raphaell, Perino del Vaga, Frauncis Mat Solinus, Rosso, & all other famous Maisters, who meant to make their pictures acceptable: in whose workes you shall see the leggs, and lower partes a little shorter, and the upper partes bigger. But of this in the booke of Perspectives, where it shall bee handled particularly, accor-

ding to everie kind of view.

By Motion, the Painters meane that comelines, and grace in the porpor- Motion, tion and disposition of a picture, which is also called the spirite and life of a picture. And this is either Naturall or Artificiall. The Naturall in this Naturall place, is that which is proper to the man, whome we intend to counterfeit: As if wee would drawe Cato Vticensis, who was naturallie a verie graue man, we must so dispose our picture, that we alwaies observe the same decorum of gravitie, in all the partes of his body. Artificial comelines, iswhe Mot Artis the skilfull Painter in drawing a King or Emperor, expresseth them grave ciall. and full of Maiestie, although peradventure they bee not so naturallie; or in Painting a Souldier maketh him more furious and Martiall, then happily he ever was in the fielde: which rule Diverse worthie Painters have followed, with verie good discretion. So that the precepts of Arte permit vs to represent the Pope, the Emperor, a Souldier, or anie other person, with that Decorum which truely belongeth to them. And herein lyeth the chiefe pointe of the skill; not so much in representing the action, which peradventure the Pope or Emperor never did, as that which he ought to have donne, in respect of the Maiestie and decorum of his e-Plate.

And this is the order and method of judgment, which ought to bee held not onely in this, but even in al the rest: as in proportion, by supplying the defectes of nature, by the helpe of arte. So that if a Ladie have anie dif- Note. proportionable parte in her bodie, the Painter shall not expresse the same too strictly in her picture: Or if her complexion, shall faile of that perfecti. on which were to bee wished, hee must not be so Stoical, as to represent it so; but rather helpe it a little with the beawtie of his colours; yet with fuch a sweete discretion, that the counterfeit loose nothing of his resemblance: but onelie that the defect of nature, may bee pretilie shaddowed with the veile of Arte.

And in thele kind of motions Leonard, Michaell Angelo, Polidore and Gatt-

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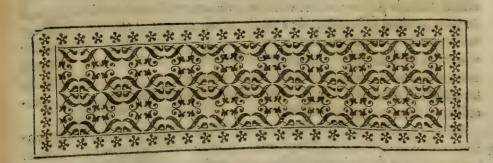
The Colour together with the light hath likewise a double considerati-Colone Natur on : either Naturall, or in Perspective; as hath beene said of Proportion.

Colour Perspect.

Naturall colour inlightned is that which a man or any other thing to bee painted hath naturally; and heere I call it naturall, not after the fricte fignification of the Philosophers . but after the maner of Painters: for example: that parte of the naturall body, which standeth directly opposite to the funne, hath three degrees of redde colour, and receiveth other three of the light of the sunne; now if the painter will represent this part iust as it appeareth in the life, he must doe it by adding three degrees of red colour, and other three of white, wherewith the light is to be expressed; and fo shall he most naturally resemble both the colour and the light. Colour lightned by the Perspectives is like to the Naturall, not by taking three degrees of the one, and as many of the other, but by confidering the distance of the place, from whence the picture is seene: wherefore if the place be very high, he shall mixe with his redde three degrees, and one thirde part or more or lesse, according to the quantity of the light lost by reason of the distance of the place, and so will the picture most neerely refemble the life: and (in a word) by how much the more white is mixed with the redde, so much doth the picture loose of the brightnesse by beeing so high. Wherefore Titiane and the skilfull Polidore, (to the ende they might perfectly understande this secret of the perspective light) gaue so great lightes and spirite to their pictures. Now of these two waies of Colouring, the painter shall follow that of the Perspectives, by the same rule which I have alleadged before, speaking of proportion. So that if he will paint two or three men one behinde another, he shal give each of them foure degrees of colour, and as many of light: provided alwaies, that in expressing him which standeth hindmost, he mixe so much the leffe white. as hee looseth of the light, by reason of the distance : for although all those men doe indeede receiue equall degrees of colour and light, yet notwithstanding the colour and light of the hindmost commeth to the ejevnder a sharper angle, and so it cannot be seene so cleerely, as that which is neerer: so that the eie iudgeth it to have lesse light, because it cannot be feene so evidently: neither is this any thing contrary to that which I saide. that when a picture is to stande on high, the brightnesse must be augmented so much, as the eie looseth by reason of the distance; wherefore when you paint many pictures vpon one table, one behinde an other, if your table be to stande in an high place, and farre from the eie, you shal adde so much the more light to your picture, as shall make it seeme so much the neerer, as it loofeth by the distance: but you may not represent an other man in this place which seemeth to stande farther of, except you diminish the light. Wherefore if you give three degrees of light to the neerer figure, you must give lesse to the hinder, for the same reason. But of this I will intreate more at large in my bookes of Light and the Perspectines.

Now in this first booke I meane to speake only of the true and proper

proportion of Naturall and Artificiall things; not that the painter ought alwaies to observe she same, (who ought still to have respect to the proportion Perspective) but because it behooveth him sirst to be acquainted with this proper proportion of things, that thereby he may be the better inabled, to draw and transferre it afterwardes to the Perspective of the eie. As shall bee shewed more at large in my booke of the Perspectives.



OF THE VERTVE AND PRAISE OF PROPORTION.

CHAP. III.



V CH is the importance and vertue of Proportion; that nothing can any way fatisfie the eie, without the helpe thereof. So that what soever worketh any pleasure or delight in vs, doth therefore content vs, because the grace of Proportion, consisting in the measure of the partes, appeareth therein. Wherefore all the inventions of men carry with them so much the more grace and beauty, by how much the more ingenuously they

are proportioned. Whence Vitruvius faith, that who soeuer will proceede in hu workes with judgement, must needes be acquainted with the nature and force of proportion: which beeing well and kindely understoode, will make him not only an excellent judge of ancient and late workemen, but also an inventor and performer of rare and excellent matters, himfelfe.

Now the effectes proceeding from proportion are unspeakeable : the The effectes principall whereof, is that maiestie and beautie, which is founde in bo- of Propor. dies, called by Vitruvius, Eurithmia. And hence it is, that vvhen wee beholde a well proportioned thing, wee call it beautifull; as if wee shoulde saie, indued with that exact and comely grace, whereby all the perfe-

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persection of sweete delightes belonging to the fight, are communicated

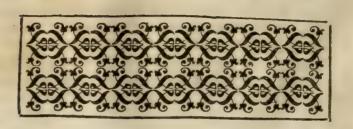
to the eve, and so conveyed to the vinderstanding.

But if we shall enter into a farther consideration of this beauty, it wil appeare most euidently, in things appertaining to Civile discipline. For it is strange to consider, what effects of piety, reverence, and religion, are stirred vp in mens mindes, by meanes of this sutable comelinesse of apre proportion: A pregnant example whereof we have in the Iupiter, carued by Phidias at Elis, which wrought an extraordinary fense of religion in the people. Whereupon, the ancient and renowned Zeuxis, well knowing the excellencie and dignity thereof, perswaded Greece, in her most flourithing estate, that the pictures wherin this maiesty appeared, were dedicated to great Princes, and consecrated to the Temples of the immortall Gods; fo that they held them in exceeding great estimation: partly because they were the workes of those famous Masters, who were reputed as Gods amongst men; and partly because they not onely represented the workes of God, but also supplied the defects of Nature: euer making choise of the flower and quintessence of eie-pleasing delights.

Neither yet is this proportion proper vnto painting alone, but exten-Vid cap. 28. deth it selfe, even vnto all other * arts; insomuch as it is drawne from mans body, which as the painter chiefely proposeth to himselfe (as Vitruvius noteth) so doth the Architect much imitate it, in the conveiance of his buildings, and without which, neither the caruer, nor any handicrafts man, can performe any laudable worke: because it was the first patterne of all Artificiall thinges; so that there is no arte, but is some way beholding to Proportion. Yet notwithstanding, the Painter (as Leo Baptista Albertus affirmeth) infomuch as he confidereth mans body more specially, is iustly preserred before all other Artisans, which imitate the same: because Antiquity meaning to grace painting aboue all the rest (as being the chiefe Mistreffe of this proportion) hath named all the rest Handicraft (men, exemp-

ting onely Painters out of that number.

OF





OF THE NECESSITIE AND DEFINITION OF PROPORTION.

CHAP. IV.



I was not without just cause that the ancient Grecians (at what time the art of Painting had fully attained to his pertection, by the industry of Timantes, Eusenidas Aristides, Eupompus Sicyonius, and Pamphilus the famous Macedonian painter, and master of Apelles, who also was the first learned painter, directing his workes by the rules of arte, aboue any of his predecessors, and well confidering, that what soeuer was made without

measure and proportion, could never carry with it any such congruity, as might represent either beauty or grace to the judicious beholder) were wont to fay that it was impossible to make any tollerable, much lesse commendable picture, without the helpe of Geometry and Arithmeticke; wherfore they required the knowledge therof, as a thing most necessary: which saving was also approved by Philip Macedo. And surely it is impossible, (to omit the meere artisans) that he who is ignorant of these two sciences, should vnderstand the exact measure and proportion of any probable or true body: The necessitie of which proportions shalbe shewed in this booke. It is apparant then that a picture lacking this, is like a peece of Marble groffie wrought, without rule or measure : or to Columns, which although they be too slender or too groffe, too shorte or too long, yet are called Columns, as dwarfes and deformed creatures are named men. Now this first booke shall containe the generall proportions of the principall things alone, from whence the rest are derived: of which before I beginne to speake, I holde it convenient to confider the definition of proportion and the partes thereof.

Proportion is a correspondencie and agreement of the measures of the Proportion. partes betweene them selves, and with the whole, in every worke. correspondencie is by Vitruvius called Commodulation: because a modell is a measure which beeing taken at the first, measureth both the partes and the whole. And this is that (to omitte the feverall kindes

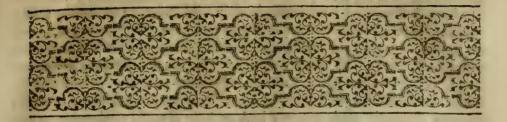
kindes thereof, which shalbe distinguished in their due place) which for so longespace having bin lost, was the cause why the exact and true proportion of mans body was not understood: by occasion whereof there never came any workemanly peeces abroad, although the matter were never so costly; & consequently that the Painters being ignorant of that they had in hand, in steede of proportionable men; made lame pictures as the architecture, teples, Images, & pictures made throughout the whole world (but especially in Italy) about the time of Constatine the great, untill Giotto in Tuscany, & Andrino di Edesia Pavese in Lobardy, can lufficiently witnes. And this (in a word) is that, the knowledge whereof for fatisfieth the judge. ment, that it maketh vs not onelie able to make whatfoever wee lift, but alfo teacheth vs to judge of Images & picturs, aswel ancient as new; & without this a Painter (besides that he is not worthy the name of a Painter) is like one which perswadeth himselse he swimmeth aboue water, when indeed he finketh. To conclude then it is impossible, to make any decent or well proportioned thing, without this symmetrical measure of the partes

orderly united.

Obserue.

Wherefore my greatest indevor shall bee, to lay open the worthinesse of this part of Painting, vnto all such as are naturally inclined thereunto by reason of a good temperature, joyned with an apt disposition of the partes thereof. For these men wilbee much affected therewith to the ende they may the better perceive the force of Nature: who by industrie and heipe of a good conceipt, will eafily attaine to fo deepe a reach, that they wilbee able uppon the fudden to different any disproportion, as a thing repugnant to their nature: vnto which perfection on the contrarie fide they can never attaine, whose judgemets are corrupted, through the disteperature of their organicall partes. I speake of such who not knowing the vertue of proportion, affect nothing else but the vaine surface of garish colours, wrought after their owne humor, who prooue onely dawbers of Images and walles throughout the whole worlde; mooving the beholders partly to smile at their follies, and partly to greiue that the arte thould be thus disgraced by fuch absurde Idiotes: who as they have no judgement heereinglo doe they runne into diverse other most shamefull errors; into which I never heard that any ever fell, who were acquainted with the beauty of proportion; but haue rather prooved men of rare spirites and sounde judgements: as may be gathered by the great request it was in, vntill the times of those Princes, aswell ancient as late, some whereof. I have cited in the first chapter, talking of the dignity of Painting,





OF THE EXTERNALL PARTS

CHAP. V.

Y purpose is in this place, for our better vnderstanding, to name at the external partes and members of mans body: for these are more necessary for a painter, then the rest, in the vse of the proportions, which that be handled, in the Chapter following.

Now the highest part (as at men know) is called the

Head. The fore part thereof, the forehead. The turning of the haire, the crowne. The roote of the haire

about the forehead, the Center. The haire which groweth before the foretoppe. The parting of the haire beginning at the forehead, and reaching to the crowne, (as in men amongst the Nazarens, so in all women) is called the deutding or feame. Womens long haire is coma. That which busheth out, Cesaries, or the bush: those which runne together in one place, feakes: those which are pretely involved together, frizled: those which are full of circles, curled: the long haire in the powle, Cuticagna; or the powle-locks: the forehead containeth all the space betweene the roote of the haire before, and the eybrowes: the pulse is the highest part of the forehead, ending with the haire: Melone is that swelling out in the forehead about the eyebrowes: the temples lie betwixt the pulse, the forehead, and the eare: the eare is that tutning, which is contained betweene the temples, the vpper part of the cheeke, and the roote of the haite by the fide of the heads the lower part wherof is called the tippe or lippet; in the middest whereof, is the hole, where the found entreth in, called in Italian Mirenga: the evebrowes are those thicke haires at the bottome of the forehead: the space betweene the eyebrowes, the Italians call glabella: the upper eyelidis that little part, which compasseth the vpper part of the eye: the eye is that round ball, which is contayned betweene the vpper and the lower eyelidde: the blacke of the eye, is the rounde spotte, in the middest of that little circle, by vertue whereof we see, and is called the apple or sight of the eye: the outward iij.

outward corner of the eie is that, which is next to the eare, called Cornice. The inner is that which is towardes the nose. All the space betweene the upper eielid, the outward corner of the eie, and the whole turning of the cie, to the vpper parte of the cheeke, and the glabella, is called the case or hollowe of the eie. The note is contained between the cheekes, descending from betwixt the eies, and endeth at the nostrelles. The Nostrelles are those two prominencies which hangout on each side, of the bortome thereof, each whereof hath an hole or passage whereby wee smell, and is termed Papilla in Italian. The lower ende of the nose which standeth forwardes, is called the top or point. The rising in the middest, the ridge or gressell: The upper checke is that space betweene the eare. the hollowe of the eie, the nofe, and the lower cheeke, whereof the parte rifing towards the eie, is named mellone, or the bale. The lower cheeke is bounded with the upper, the nostrelles, the mouth, the chin to the throate. and the necke under the care. The upper lippe is that redde peece of flesh about the mouth called also Vergine. The mouth is that Division which is betweene the vpper and the nether lippes, which is redde like the other-That concavity which commeth downe from the bottome of the nose to the upper lip, is the gutter of the nose. The roofe of the mouth is called the palate. The tonge is that which mooveth in the mouth, in Ital. frozza. The paffage betweene the lungs and the mouth, through which the breath paffeth, is the windpipe. The gumme is that spotted flesh in which the teeth are fastned: the 4 first whereof are called Dividers, next vnto which on each fide are the Doggeteeth: The other 5 on each fide with three rootes, are the grinders, or Checkteeth: So that the full number of the teeth is 32. The chinne or place of the bearde is the extremity beneath the lippe. & the end of the face, whose beginning is at the roote of the haire: The hinder parte vnder the crowne, some doe call gnucea, or the nape or nolle; as also the vp. per part, where the haires grow behind is the beginning of the necke, and is called eervix. Those log haires which grow under the chin about the mouth & ypon the lower cheeke towards the haire neere the eare, are called by 2 generall name the Bearde: Those vpon the vpper lip, the most achiums.

The throate is the parte betwixt the chinne & the beginning of the bodie or truncke, in the middest whereof directly under the chin, is that rising which is called the throate bone. The concavitie of the necke before, betweene the ende of the throate, the Clavicole, & the beginning of the brest, is the throat pit. The necke is that part behind, betweene the roote of the haire & the biginning of the backe bone, which on either side is iouned with the throate, & at the lower end of the necke with the shoulders, wherof the bone in the middest, is called astragalus, or the bone of the knitting of the necke with the shoulders. The whole truncke or body before, containeth in it; first, the upper forke of the stomach, or breast, which beginneth at the end of the throate-pitte. The breastes or Pappes ende with the short-ribbes, & are also called the part under the pappes &c. In woemen they are called Dugges &c. The heades or extuberancies whence the miske is sucked out, are called Nibles. The space betweene the breasts or dugs at the lower

forke of the breast, is the bulke. The Armepits are those hollowes under the armes where the haires growe. The short ribbes begin at the ende of the pappes, and reach to the slankes neare the belly. The flankes beginne at the end of the breasts, and are also called the waste. The upper part of the belly lieth betweene the hollowe of the breast, the waste about the natuil, and the ribbes, and is also called epa. The knitting of the entrals is called the natual. The paunch lieth betweene the waste, the prinities, and the slankes, and is also called the belly, especially in women. Where the haires growe under the bellie is the prinities. The hollowe compasse at the toppe is called eorona. The place through which the urine passeth, the hole. The two little bals which hang under the yard, the stones. The privities of a woman are called &c.

The hinder part of the body called the backe or chine, consistent first of the shoulderblade, which is the part behinde; the shoulders ende with part of the chine and loynes. The rest of the backe reacheth downe along from the necke, to the beginning of the cliste of the buttocks. The loynes lie betweene the shoulderblades, the ribbes, and the rest of the chine to the reines or waste. The reines reach from the loynes to the buttockes, and doe properly belong to the part belowe the waste, or girdle-steede. The Buttockes

are that fleibly part which serueth vs for the vie of sitting.

The Arme containeth first the shoulder, behinde which is the backe. beginning at the clauicola, betweene the necke and the throate, and reacheth to the shoulderblade behinde, which place is properly called the backe. The part of the arme from the elbowe vpward, is called the vpper brawne of the arme. The elbowe is the bowing of the arme, the infide wherof is the joynt; and here the lower part of the arme beginneth. The wrifte is where the arme is joyned to the hand in the infide. The palme is the infide of the hande betweene the wrist and the fingers. The thumbe is the biggest and shortest of al the singers. The foresinger is next to the thumbe. The middlefinger is that which standeth in the middest and is longer then the rest: next vnto this is the ring finger. The earefinger or little finger is the least and last of all. The fingers have also other names given them by the Cheiromancers: As from the hill of Venus the thumbe is called Venus; and so forth the forefinger Jupiter, the middle finger Saturne, the ring finger Sal, & the littlefinger Mercurie. The brawne in the palme of the hand, the bill of the Moone. The triangle in the middest of the palme, the bill of Mars.

And nowe to the fingers, whole iountes are as it were even in number according to their bignesse; namely three vpon each of them, save the thumbe; which hath only two. The hinder part of the arme reacheth from the ende of the shoulder or armepit to the elbowe; where also the second part of the arme beginneth, reaching to the wrist-iount. The backe of the hand reacheth from the wriste, to the first iountes of the singers, and is called petten. The spaces betweene the iountes are called internodi, which are two vpon each singer, except the thumbe: which hath but one. In the space betweene the last iount and the toppe of the singer, is the nayle, whose bowing is called corona, (I mean where it toucheth the sless hor skin.)

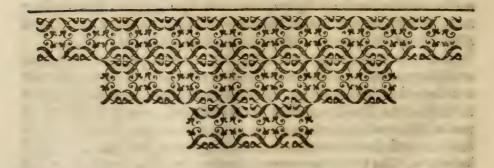
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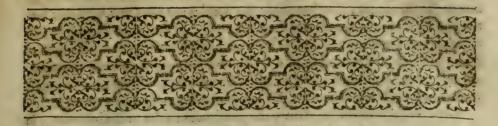
The whole hand beginneth at the wrift, and reacheth to the toppe or extre-

miry of the fingers.

The Legge confifteth of these partes: first the thigh, which beginner at the trunke of the body, and endeth at the knee. The hollow of the thigh, is the inner side thereof belowe the privities. The knee beginneth at the round bone, at the ende of the thigh, and reacheth downe to the beginning of the shinne-bone, which reachest downe cleane through the legge, to the instep. The instep beginneth at the ende of the shin-bone, and reacheth to the beginning of the toes, and is called petten, or the upper part of the foot. The ankle is that bone, which buncheth out on each fide betweene the insteppe, and the beginning of the heele. The (male of the legge, is the space betweene the ende of the two calues aboue, and the ankle, inflep, and heele belowe. The pitte of the foote, is the hollowe under the hill or higher bunch of the foote towardes the fole. The toes have also jointes as the fingers, though they be somewhat shorter: and have nailes in like maner: but are otherwise called then the fingers; as, the first the second, the thirde, the fourth, and the fife. The hinder part of the legge beginneth under the buttocke; and is called the thigh, and endeth at the hinder part of the kneescalled the hamme or bending. The Calues of the legges beginne under the hamme : and are two vpon each legge, the outwarde, which endeth somewhat high, and the inwarde, which reacheth neerer to the smal of the legges which diminisheth by degrees, to the part a little about the ankle. The heele is that part of the foote, which rifeth out backewardes, reaching from the ende of the legge, to the bottome of the foote, called the fole; which beginneth at the end of the heele and reacheth to the toppe of the toes; containing likewife the spaces betweene the jointes underneath orderly. And thus much may juffice for the names of the externall partes of the body.

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THE PROPORTION OF A MANS BODY OF TENNE FACES IN LENGTH AND BREDTH.

CHAP. VI.



T standeth with good reason, that (following the methode of the ancient Grecians) I should make this body, whose proportion I intende to handle particularly, answerable to the symmetry of all other artificiall bodies, which may be made farre more beautifull, then Nature affordeth any; wherein notwithstanding the whole symmetry of arte may be comprehended more or lesse. And this point I meane to handle in this chap-

ter and the next: wherefore I have prefixed this before the rest, because it

is, as it were, the foundation of them all.

This figure then is first divided into tenne parts or faces: the first whereof (I meane in length) beginneth at the toppe of the head, and reacheth to the roote of the nostrels. The seconde from thence to the throat-pit: the thirde thence to the parting of the breast: the fourth thence to the Navile: the fift thence to the privities, which is the iust middle of the length of the body. From thence to the fole of the foote are fine faces: whereof two lie betweene the privities and the mid-knee; the other three betwixt that and the fole of the foote. Thus according to this division, al these parts are equal.

Now the first part from the toppe of the heade to the nose, answereth to the space betwixt that, and the chinne, in a triple proportion, which maketh a Diapente and a Diapa son. That betweene the chinne and the throatpit, answereth to that betwixt the nose and the chinne in a double proportion, which makes a diapa fon: wherevnto the head answereth in the same proportion. The three faces betweene the throat pit and the privities answere to the second, betwixt them & the knee in a sesquialter proportion; whence ariseth a Deapente: but with the legge they are Vnisones, for it hath the same proportion with the thigh.

Now the bredth of this body confifteth likewise of tenne faces. Name- The bredth. ly betweene the extremities of both the middle fingers, when the armes are spread abroad, and is thus devided. One to the wrist of the hand: one and

an halfe to the elbowe: so much to the elavicola or iount of the shoulder; & one to the throat-pit. So that onely the handes are vni sones, with that betweene the shoulder-iount and the throat-pit, & the space betweene the shoulders & the elbow, with that betweene the elbow & the wrist; so that these answere to each other in a sesquialter proportion, called a Diapente. Againe, a face is assuch as the distance betweene the Nibles, and so much more from each of them to the throat-pit; making an equilater triangle.

The compasse of the head from the eiebrowes to the necke behinde, is double to the length of the whole head. The circumference of the wast is a triple se squalter to the diameter thereof; and is vnifone with the trunke of the body, which is three faces. The circumference of the body under the arme-pits, & the space betweene them & the wrist, answere in a double

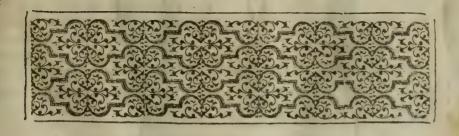
proportion, & is vni sone with any halfe of the body.

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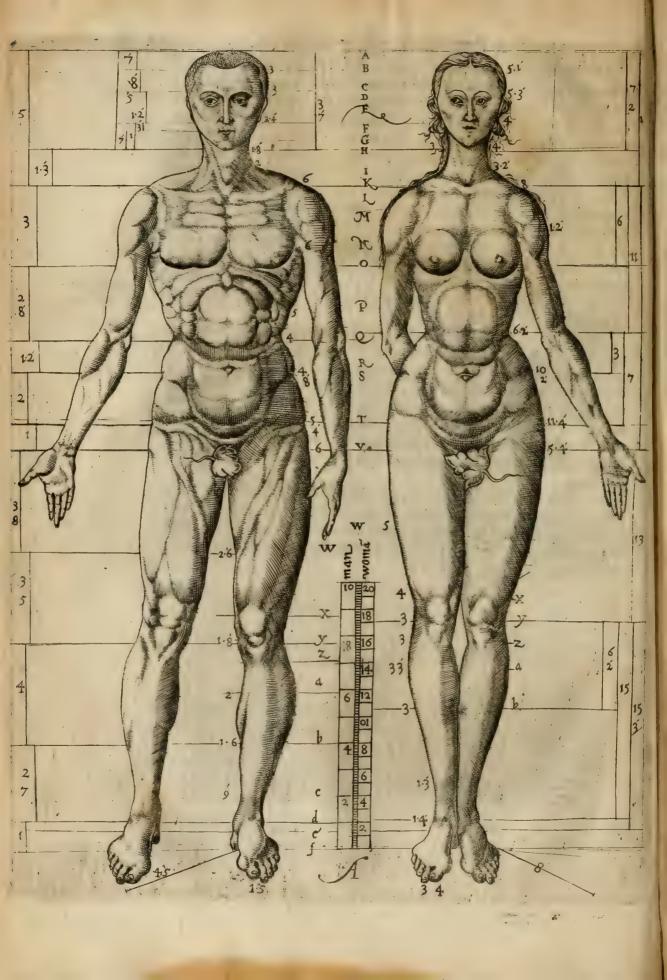
The measures which are vni sone and equall betweene themselves are these. First the space betweene the chin & the throat-pit, is asmuch as the diameter of the necke. The circumference of the necke, is almuch as fro the throat-pit to the Navile. The diameter of the wast answereth to the distance betweene the knobbe of the throate and the top of the head, and this is the length of the foote. The space betweene the eiglids and the nostrelles is all one with that betwixt the chin & the throat-bone. Again, from the nose to the chin, is as much as fro the throat-bone to the throat-pit. Moreover, the space from the hollow of the eie below, & from the eiebrow to the center of the eje, is the same with the prominency of the nostrells; and somuch is it betweene the nostrels, and the end of the upper lip; so that these 3 spaces be equall. Besides the distance betweene the top of the naile of the foresinger, and the last iount thereof, and from thence to the wrist, are equall. Againe. the space betweene the naile of the middle finger & the last iount thereof; and from thence to the wrift is all one. The greater joynt of the forefinger is the heighth of the forhead, & the space betweene that joynt & the top of the naile, is equall to the nose, beginning at the bottome of the most eminer arch about the eies, where the forhead & the nose are divided. The 2 first joynts of the midfinger, are equall to the space betweene the nose and the chin. The first ioynt, whereon the naile groweth, is the distace betweene the nose & the mouth. So that the second joint answereth to the first in a sesquealter proportio, as also doth the space betweene the mouth & the chin, whece ariseth the concord Diapente. The bigger joynt of the thumbe giveth the width of the mouth. The space betwixt the top of the chin and the dint vnder the lower lip, answereth to the lesser joynt of the thumbe, & is asmuch as from the nole to the same dint: wherefore, from the greater joynt thereis a sesquialter proportion, & a concord Diatessaron. The last ioynt of each finger, is double to the length of the naile, and maketh a Diapa fon. From the midst betweene the eie-brows, to the outward corner of the eie, is asmuch as from thence to the care. The heighth of the forhead, the length of the nole, & the width of the mouth, are vni sones. The bredth of the hande and foote are all one. The length of the foote in respect of the bredth, maketh a double supra-bipartient, & a Diapason & a diatessaron. The The bredth of the foote to his heighth at the instep, makes a fefquialter and a diatessaron. The bredth of the hand is double to the heighth. The arches of the eiebrowes are equall to the arch of the vpper lip, at the division of the mouth. The bredth of the nose and the eie is all one, and either of them, halfe the length of the nose. The Navile is the middest betwixt the nose and the kneed from the top of the shoulder to the elbow, & from the ce to the had, is a Diatessaro. The space between the lower end of the eare, and the ioynt of the shoulder, is halfe as much as the bredth of the breast at the shoulders; which maketh a double sesquialter. The whole bredth of the body to the space betweene the top of the head and the throat-bone, makes a quadruple proportion; whence ariseth a Dissaros. I he same proportion hath the cubite, or lower part of the arme, from the elbow, to the top of the middle singer, with the bredth of the body, by the armes spread abroade. The bredth of the slankes is double to the thigh; or a Diapason. I he length of a man is all one with his bredth.

The bredth of the backe at the armepits; of the hippes at the buttockes, and of the legges at the knees, in respect of the soles of the seete, make a tri. ple se squitertia; the like is from the space of the head to the breast-pir: The diameter of the head at the sorhead, to the deapth thereof, (that is betweene the eies, and the nappe of the heade) is a ses squite a trine circumference of the forhead at the temples, is quadruple to his heighth, or a Diapason. The heighth of the sace, & the space betweene the chin and the throat-bone, makes a triple proportion, or a Diapason and diapente.

And thus if we should proceede, we might find in the head all the other proportions of the smalest partes, together with their concords most exactly: which for brevity sake I omit, hastning to the consideration of the measures of all the partes, which are truely symmetricall, and correspondent to the partes of the world.



Note.





PROPORTION A MANS BODY OF

TENNE *FACES.

CHAP. VII.

*That is term times the length of his face.



HIS proportion of along and slender body, must bee patterned after the body of Mars the God of warre amongst the Gentiles: who by reason of his heate and drinesse hath a long and slender body agreeable there vnto; and may also serue for any other body of that nature; as being boysterous cholericke, cruel, martiall, mutinous, rash, and prone to anger; as are all actine & strong men, by reason of the bignesse of their bones

voide of much flesh, which causeth them to be of a harde and sharpe bodie, with great iointes, and bigge nostrels dilated with heate; whole eies, mouth and other passages are correspondent: as in his due place shalbe more par-

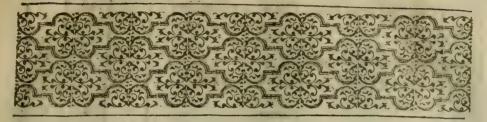
This body then is divided in length, from the toppe of the head to the Looke the toticularly shewed. This body then is divided in length, from the toppe of the head to the A. where fole of the foote, into thirty equal partes, which I call Degrees: each whereof note that the shalbe subdivided into tenne Minuts, making three hundred in the whole, Min: are noand is measured

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The bredth of the hande being deuided into foure partes, maketh the foure fingers: from the top of the middlefinger to the elbowe is the fourth part of the whole body, confishing of seuen Degrees and fine Min: And this proportion is of such indifferent beauty, that sparing the Martiall asperity, and bouldnesse, it may fit divers other slender and nimble bodies, as occa-



THE EXTRAVAGANT PROPOR-

CHAP. VIII.



INCE my purpose is to handle this matter exactly, it shall not be amisse, briefly to touch the sleight proportion of 10 heads deliuered by Albert Durer. For although it be (in truth) too slender in all mens judgements, yet I may not omit it, because it hath the auctority of so famous a man, in the skill of Painting, as Germanie cannot match againe. First then this proportion is in length from the toppe of the head, to the

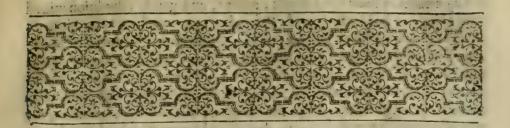
chinne, a tenth part of the whole: Thence backewardes to the top of the forhead an eleuenth: The face may be deuided into three equall partes as the rest are.

Jhaue not drawne the examples of all the fenerall proportions, for tediousnesses sake: The meanest may by these, learne how to apply the measures in the calculated tables to his purpose. Note that all these sigures are fractions, and should be noted with the suprabipartient sigure over head: but aswell for avoiding trouble to the Printers, as confusion to the ordinary reader, I have written them single; imitating herein A. Durer, where there sail out two numbers 20 and 18, they are distinguished only with a colon: where the same numbers doubled, or tripled; as twife 18, or thrise 31, they are twife or thrise written; as 18:18: and 31:31:31: where they are three, and cannot be written in the col: they are in the Marg: with a *

This proportion is thus measured,

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	II	Chinne to the	Roote of the haire		14	13	0	l
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	D		Mouth and necke		0	13	0	
	10	Top of the head to the	Chinne and throate		22	14	0	9 -
	0		Necke		0	22	0	
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	6 1	Top of the head to the	Top of the shoulders	-0.1	00 6		
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	0			12:13	0	0	L
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*18:18:18		Top of the head to the		0	13	0	L
10:10:10	25	Throatpit to the	Top of the breast	19 82*	17:17	0	ı
	17	1	Armepits	7	8	12:13	ı
	13		Pappes	0	8	0	1
	0		Nibles between them	10	0	0	ı
	21:21		Vnder the Pappes	13:13	17:17	0	1
	13:15		Waste	15:15	II	0	ı
* 27:27	30	VVasteto the	Nauill	13 824	II	0	ı
	21		Hollow of the hippes	13:14	10	0	ı
	0		Betweene their joints	15:15	0	0	ł
	8		Top of the hippes	6	17:18	O	I
	0		Bottome of the belly	0	0	0	ŀ
	14:15		Privities beginning	0	9	0	ı
			Ende of the coddes		0	0	I
	13:13		End of the buttocks	1	II	11	1
	11:11	End of the ends to the	Hollow of the thigh	13	12	0	ı
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dle betweene	0	Out: knee about to the	At its	0	0	0	I
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	9	Midknee to the	Calfe Sinward	0	19	0	
	10	Mid knee to the	Contward	23	17	0	1
	0		Midlegge or calfe	19	32:34	0	ı
	0		Smale	45	32	0	П
	26	Sole of the foote to th	e Insteppe	46	29	0	П
	0		Ankle	35	0	0	ı
	0		Heele	0	23	37	ı
	7	Heele to the top of th	e Toes	2 I	O	0	1
	35	Ankletothe	Sole of the foote	0	0	0	ı
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	1	The	Arme.				۱
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	0	- C.1 C	Brawn below the elb:	24	28	0	I
	II	Top of the fing: toth	e vvriite	42	50	0	1
	0		Palme	22	0	0	1
	0	-15	Hande	0	42	0	1
	4	Elbowtothe	Top of the fingers	10	10	10	I



THE PROPORTION OF AYOVNGMANOF NINE HEADS.

CHAP. IX.



am of opinion that Francis Mazzolinus would have Mazzolinus prooved the only rare mã of the world, if he had never error. painted any other kinde of pictures (as rude, profle; and Melancholy) then these sender ones, which he represented with an admirable dexteritie, as being naturally inclined thereunto; So that if he had only reprefented Apollo, Bacchus, the Nymphes &c:he had sufficiently warranted this his most acceptable proportion.

which was ever flender, and oftentimes too fleight. But when he tooke vpon him to expresse the Prophets, our Lady and the like in the same; as appeareth by his Moses at Parma, our Lady at Ancona, and certaine Angels not farre from thence, and diverse other thinges quite contrary to the symmentry they ought to have, hee gaue a precedent to all other Painters to shunne the like error: which himselfe might also have easily avoided, being reputed little inferior to Raphael Vrbine, whom he might have proposed to himselfe as a patterne: for Raphael ever suted his personages answerable to the varietie of the natures and dispositions of the parties he inhitated: so that his old folkes seeme stiffe and crooked, his young men agile and slender, and so forth in the rest. Which example admonisheth vs, that a Painter Observa ought not to tie himselfe to any one kinde of proportion, in all his figures; For besides that he shalloose the true decorum of the History: he shal commit a great abfurdity in the Arte, by making all his pictures like twinnes. Into which errour notwithstanding diverse (otherwise worthy painters,) hauerunne, whose names I suppresse; and especially one of those two greate ones. Which overlight all good practitioners will eafilie discerne, because all their figures are of an uniforme proportion, though wonderfully expressing variety of actions. And for our better understanding in this kinde

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of proportion (as best fitting young men, who are somewhat beautifull by meanes of their flendernesse, agility, and gentle disposition mixed with a kinde of boldnesse) Raph: Vrbine hath very well expressed it in S. George fighting with the Dragon, now to be seene in the Church of S. Vi-Etore de Fratiin Milane; in S. Michaell at Fontenables in Fraunce, and in that George which hee made for the Duke of Vrbine on a table. According to which observation of his, every man may dispose of this proportion in the like young bodies. Now for our more exact in fight hereinto, by way of precept, we must first note, that aslender young body of nine heads, is from the toppe of the heade, to the ende of the chinne, a ninth part of the whole length: and thence backe agains to the roote of the haire, a tenth or eleventh part, as I have observed in Raphaels S. Michaell, and in an olde Apollo. But which way so ever you make it, this space is divided into * three equal partes: whereof the first makes the fore-head, the second the no se, the third the chinne. How beit I graunt, that in a face which is the eleventh part (by reason of a certaine tuffe of haire which is vsually expressed) the fore-head becommeth lower by a thirde part: which rule the ancient Grecians kept, as their statuaes doe evidently withesse. But to the purpose, this body is likewise measured by partes

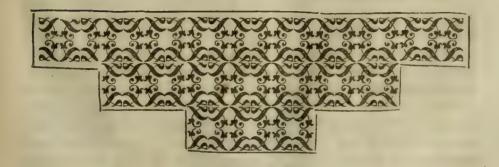
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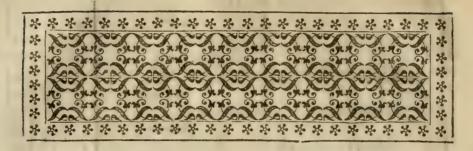
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	0		Pappes	0	0	0
	12		Teats	9	8	0
	19:19		Vnder the pappes	0	16:17	0
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	22		Hollowe of the hippe	12:13	15:16	0
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	13:13	Heele to the Toes top	19	0	0	
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	0	Sole of the foote.	0	0	0	
		The Arme.				
	0	Top of the shoulders	0	15	0	
	0	Armepits	26	20	0	
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	11:11	Top of the shoulder to the Elbowe.	31	26	0	
	0	Brawne belowe	22	25	C	
	10	Top of the midfing: to the Wriste	38	48	0	
	0	Palme	19	38	0	
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THE PROPORTION OF A MAN OF EIGHT HEADS.

CHAP. X.



HEREAS in every worke there is some one entire sitgure, whereunto all the particulars of the whole History ought to be principally referred, the Painter
ought not to imagine, (because he is more skilfull in
representing some other thing in the worke, then that
which beareth the reference of the whole) that therefore he shall deserve commendation, but rather discredite. For it is most certaine, that the worke will

handled then the principall and the rather, because the other partes cannot choose but loose their grace. A thing which hath caused divers excellent Painters, as well newe, as ancient (being purposely carried away with too great a desire of dooing well) to leave their workes unperfect, which they could not remedy any other way, then by utterly desacing that which they

had done, were it neuer so excellent.

Emphranors error.

A most pregnant example wherof we have in the ancient Painter * Euphranor: who being to drawe the 12 Gods in Athens, he began with the
picture of Neptune, which he wrought so exquisitely both for proportion,
colour, and all other pointes; that purposing afterwardes to make Inpiter
with farre greater perfection, he had so spent his conceit in the first figure,
that he was not able afterwardes to expresse any of the other Gods, much
lesse Iupiter. The like disgrace happened to Zeuxes by the naturalnesse of
his grapes, and the imperfection of the boye. Not volike voto which was
that of Leon: Vincent of late daies; who being to paint Christ at his last supper in the middest of his disciples in the Refectory of S. Maria de gratia in
Milane; and having sinished all the other Apostles, he represented the two
Iameses with such perfection of grace & maiesty, that indevening afterwards
to expresse Christ, hee was not able to perfite and accomplish that sacred
countenance, notwithstanding his incomparable skill in the arte. Vyhence
being

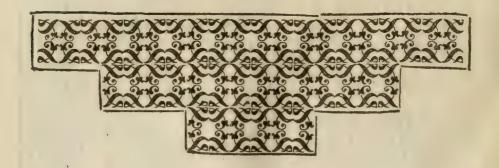
being in a desperate case, here was enforced to advise with Bernard Zenale concerning his fault, who yied these words to comfort him. O Leonard, this thine error is of that qualitie, that none but God can correct it : for neither thou nor any man living is able to bestowe more divine beauty voon any figure, then thou hast vppon these Iameses. Wherefore content thy selfe. and leave Christ unperfitte for thou maist not set Christ neere those Apostles. Which advise Leonard observed, as may appeare by the picture at this day, though it bee much defaced. Whence my counfell is; that for the avoiding of the like errors, wee examine the original thereof, having an especiall regarde to our Proportions; as the chiefe cause of the groffenesse, slendernesse, clownithnesse, and daintinesse of bodies. Whence all the beautie and ill-favorednesse of pictures proceedeths Wherefore let each bodie have his true and particular proportion: which I will indevour to fet downe in this present figure, which may serue for all men in generall, who agree with this most absolute forme, whose proportion followeth. See the victure B.

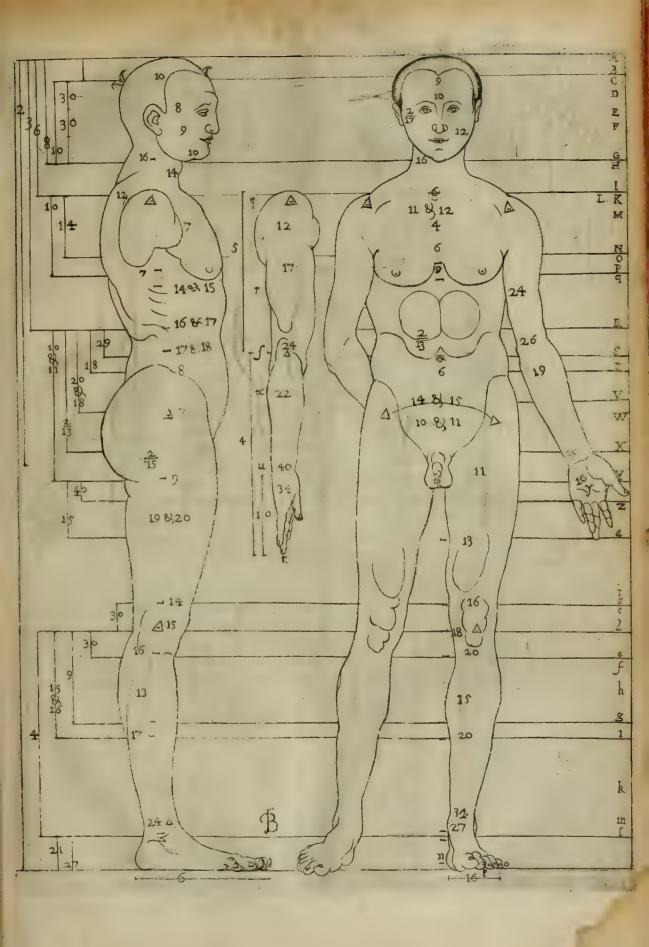
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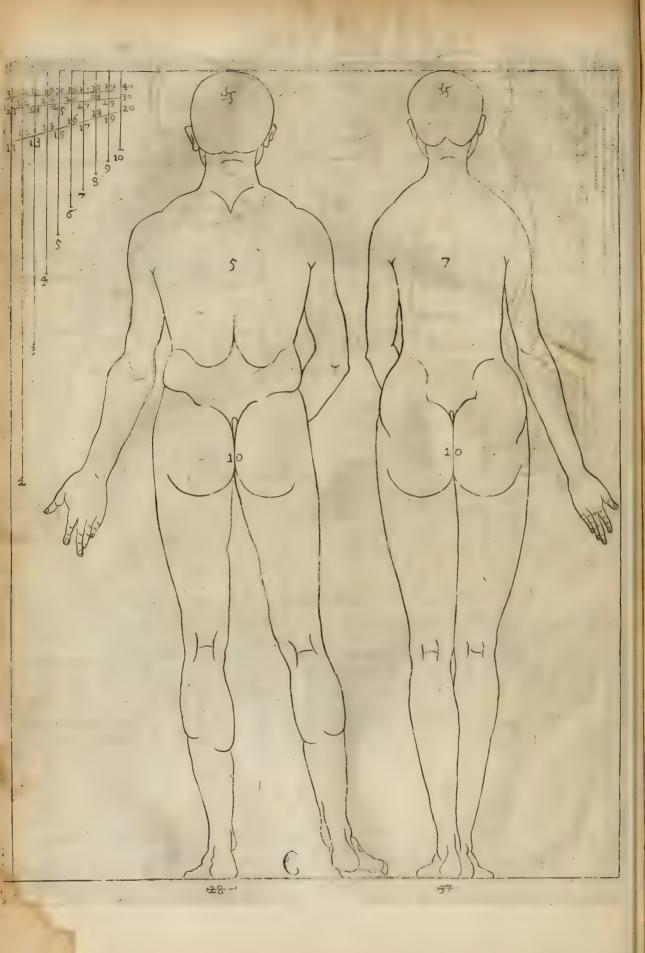
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į	3.0 8	Eiebrowes and the	F	Nofe	12	9	0
		Top of the head & the	G	Chinne	16	10	0
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	0		H	Necke	0	14	0
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the	0		K	Ioints of the shoulders	11:12	0	5
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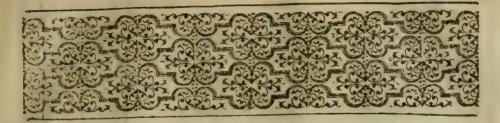
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	30	Midknee and		Vnder the knee without	20	16	0
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	9	That and the	g	Outward calfe	0	17	0
	0			Midlegge	15	13	0
	15:16	Midknee and the		Inwarde calfe	20	0	0
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cu	27	Sole of the foote and the	m	Ankle Heele	27	0	0
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Ser	0		0	Toes	16	0	0
Spine	0		P	Sole of the foote	0	6	O
		Th	ev.	Irme.			
	5	Elbowe and the	q	Toppe of the shoulder	0	13	,0
	0			Vnder the Armepits	24	17	0
	0	_96	f	Elbowe	26	24	0
	4	Elbowe and the	t	Top of the midfinger	0	0	0
	10	Top of the mid: fing: to th		Wrift	30	40	0
	0		X	Brawn below the elbow	19	22	0
	IO		y	Palme	16	34	C









THE PROPORTION

OF A MANS BODY OF SEVEN HEADS.

CHAP. XI.



the rest.

HE graund Philosopher Pythagoras, giveth sufficient testimony of the truth of these rules concerning the proportion of mans body; in so much, as by their helpe hee distinguished the proportion of Hercules his body, from the other Gods, by finding out the true stature thereof, and consequently how much he exceeded the stature of ordinary men: Of whom Au: Gellius writeth, that he observed the quantity of Her-

cules foote, wherewith the * race in Achaia before Inviter Olympius *Stadium, his Temple (where the Olympian games were celebrated every fifte yeare) was measured; and founde it to agree, in the number of feete, with the other races, which were * 625 foote; and yet to be much longer then any of A: Gellsfaith

foote.

By which example we may eafily conceiue, that every proportion will not fit allkindes of bodies, because there are as many varieties thereof, as there are naturall differences of bodies. Wherefore, I will proceede to the handling of the proportion of a body of seuen substantial and bigge heades. all whose members are strong, sturdy, and raised : his length then from the crowne of the head to the sole of the foote, is seuen times the length of his heade

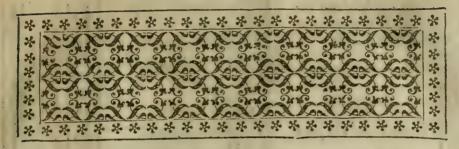
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reenc	10	Chinne and the	Roote of the haire	8	14:19	5 0	١
È	0		Forhead <	0	0	0	١
Be	30	Roote of the haire & the	Eiebrowes	9	7	10	1
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	0		Eares	8	0	0
	30	Eiebrowes and the	Nofe	10	8	0
	7	Top of the head and the	Chinne and throate	12	8	0
	0		Necke	0	12	0
	11:11	Top of the head and the	Top of the shoulders	0	0	0
	10:11		Throatpit	5	9	0
* 10: 13	30	Throatpit and the	Top of the breaft	10:*	13:13	0
	13	4	Armepits	5	6	4
	0		Pappes	0	0	0
	10		Teates	15:15	6	0
	8		Vnder the pappes	0	12:13	0
	II: II	•	Waste	5	12:13	0
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-,-,	10		Top of the hippes	4	11:12	0
	0		Betweene their iointes	6	0	0
	0		Bottome of the belly	0	0	0
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ne	21	Midknee and the	Outwardknee Saboue	12	10	0
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	0		Midknee	14	12	0
,n.	0		Vadanchalma Swithout	16:26	0	0
	40	Midknee and the	Vnder the knee Zwithin	0	12	0
	3	Midknee and the	CInward	14	13	0
	19:15	Midknee and the	Calfe ZOutward	.0	O	0
	0	,	Midlegge, or calfe	22:24	20:21	0
1	0		Smale	27	0	0
	20	Sole of the foote and the	Insteppe	0	13	0
	28	Sole of the foote and the	Ankle	22	0	0
	0 :		Heele	Ó	0	24
	0.		Toes	15	0	0
	0.0	`	Sole	0	6	0
			Arme.			
	11:11		Top of the should:	0	21:21	0
	10	Shoulder & the brawne	Neere the armepits	18	13	0
	0		Elbow	21	18	0
	0		Brawne below the elbow	16	18	0
or 10	9*	Top of the midfinger & the		25	32	0
	0		Palme	15	30	0
	4	Elbowe and the	Top of the fingers	0	0	0
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OF THE PROPORTION OF A VVO-MAN OF TENNE FACES.

CHAP. XII.



Labra dame Nature, the cunningest work mistres of all others, doeth ordinarily observe so great variety in all her workes, that each of her particulars differeth in beauty and proportion; yet notwithstanding, we finde by experience, that she is more industrious, in shewing her arte and skill in some few most beautiful creatures. Whereupon I (insomuch as Arte being the counterfaiter of Nature, must ever indevor to imi-

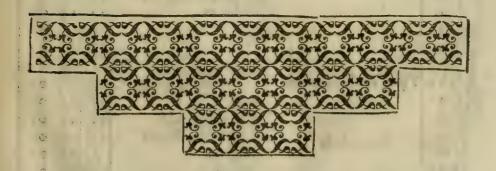
tate the most absolute things) intending to handle the proportion of a woman, meane not to spend much time in discoursing of the severall proportions of all the sortes of women which nature affordeth (for that were infinite) but purpose to write only of the most pleasing proportions appearing in dainty and delicate bodies. Now this body is measured by Degrees and Minuts, like to that in the sixt Chapter, whose length containeth also sixtle Degrees; each whereof is subdivided into but sine Minuts. This body then is measured

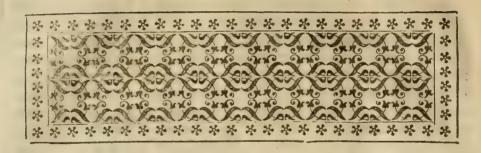
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etween	2	0	Eiebrowes and the	E	Nose at the bottom 4	4	0	5	0	little: 4.de-
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	18	0	Top of the head and the	K	Top of the shoulders	3	2	3	2
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		00			Palme	2	0	1	2
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Concerning the breadth of the Averse picture; it is, betwixt the arme- The manner pits 8. D. and 1. M. Athwarte the buttockes 6. D. At the heele 1. D. 3. M. of delinea-And this is the measure and proportion of a comely womans body; the trasfrerse, drawne, not only from the observations of the auncient statuaes of Venus, you may see in the picture but even from the grounde of Nature it selfe: Which proportion may C. and D. serve for any woman, wherein you would especially represent the perfection of beauty, and not for every common woman; as Martiall, Huntreffes, grave matrones, or other stayed women, inclining to groffenesse. as the other tende to slendernesse. And because all the other Proportions depende uppon these two (as may easily bee prooued by Geometricall lines) I thoughte good to fet them downe first, as a rule and direction for the rest, which I purpose now to handle, with the same method I did the other two: least otherwise, it might happily be thought. that these Proportions were made by chaunce. Wherefore, all the particulars are to bee framed, answerable to the nature of such bodies, as they refemble. Otherwise, some one disproportionable and vnsutable parte, will cause as greate, or rather a greater blemish, in a beautiifill body; as a Tufcane Capitell, in a Corinthian Columne; or a Phrygian Note mixed with a Doricke.







OF THE PROPORTION OF A

WOMAN OF TENNE HEADS.

CHAP. XIII.

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HE proportion of a VVoman of tenne heads in length, is thus measured. Betweene the toppe of the head, and the sole of the soote; is tenne times as much as betweene the chinne, and the toppe of the heade. Thence to the privities, is halfe. This proportion is measured

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	*12		Roote of the haire	I	3	13	0	
	0		Forehead or temples	r	3	0	0	١
	0		Eiebrowes	1	3	11	0.	
he	0		Eares	I:	2	0	0	
C t	0		Nose	U I	6	I 2	0	١
Sen	0	,	Chinne	벌	5	14	0	ı
Betweene the	18:19	Top of the head and the	Flesh under the chinne	A C		0	0	١
Be	0		Necke	2	5	24	0	ı
	8	•	Top of the should:	2	2	22	0	I
	0		Iointes of the should:	I	5	0	0	ı
	6		Shoulders	1 2	7	13	0	
	13:13		Throatpit	17	:17	_	0	ı
	22	Top of the should: & the	Top of the breast	II	:11	10	0	ı
	16	1-	Armepits	9		0	15:15	
	0		Dugges	0		0	0	
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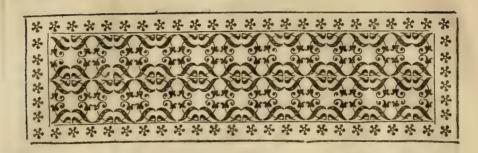
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	40	VV afte and the	Nauill	13:13	IO	0	
	0	,	Hollow of the hippes	0	0	0	
	0		Betweene their ioints	8	0	0	
	10	19	Top of the hippes	11:11	14:15	0	
	17:17		Bottome of the belly	II:II		0	
	13:14		Prinities beginning	0	16:17	0	
	12:13		Ende	0	0	0	
	11:12	7 197	End of the buttocks	12	10	10	
	12	End of the butt: & the	Hollow of the thigh	27:27	23:23	0	
	30	Midknee and the	Knecaboue Soutward	19	17	0	
	0		Cinward	0	0	0	
	7:7	Sole of the foote & the	Midknee	22	19	0	
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Je t	0		CWICHII	22	20	0	
Betweene the	9		Calfe Sinward Outward	23	19	0	ı
M	10		Coutward	21	18	0	ı
200	0		Midlegge or calle	19	17	0	ŀ
	0		Smale	48	32	0	
	4		Insteppe	43	27	0	
	38	Sole of the foote & the	Ankle	46	0	Ó	
	0		Heele	0	0	40	ı
	0		Toes	22	0	0	ı
•	14:15	The length of the	Sole of the foote	0	0	0	ı
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		The					ı
	11:11	Elbow and the	Top of the shoulders	0	19	0	ı
	0		Brawn neere the armep:	28	23	0	
	4	Tops of the fing of the	Elbow	34	34	0	
	0		Brawn below the elb:	26	30.	0	
	0		Wrifte	46	60	0	
	0		Palme	24	45	0	
	0		Hande	0	0	0	
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THE PROPORTION OF A VVO-MAN OF NINE FACES.

CHAP. XIIII.

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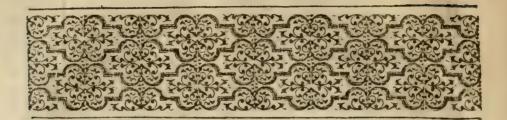
T was not without cause, that Vitruvius in the first of his Architecture, distinguishing the maner of Temples by their several orders; dedicated the Ionicke order to the goddesse Iuno, as being slenderer then the Dorick, and more substantiall then the Corinthian: considering no doubt, very wisely, that this goddesse was not naturally so grave as Vesta, nor yet so slender and beautifull as Venus: notwithstanding shee carrieth 2

matrone-like beauty, full of state and maiesty. For which cause also, I applie this proportion of nine faces vnto her, as most properly belonging vnto her, being inferiour in beauty to the proportion of *Venus*, and yet the most beautiful amongst the matrone-like, wherein maiesty and grace ought to be represented. Moreouer, this proportion may be applied vnto Queenes of middle age; or vnto any other honest, faire, and graue woman: And doth most properly appertaine to our Lady.

This body is thus measured,

· 1	erses.			Adv.	Bre Trans.	dth.	
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	0		Crowne	0	0	0	
- Fi	9	Chinne and the	Roote of the haire	IO	II	0	
36	0		Forhead or temples Eiebrowes	9	o	0	
Betweene the	9	Throat pit and the	Eiebrowes Z	10	9	0	
. A	0		Eares	9	0	0	
M	0		Nofe	12	12	0	
	0		Chinne and throate	16	12	0	
				-	N	ecke	

							27
	0	1	Necke	10	1 16	01	
	0		Top of the shoulders	0	0	0	
	0		Ioints of the should:	0	0	0	
	0		Shoulders	0	0	0	
	0		Throatpit	12:10	25:25	0	
	0		Toppe of the breaft	19	19:19	0	
	42:42	Vnder the dugs and the		0	9	7	
	0	,	Dugges	0	0	0	
	42	Vnder the dugs and the	Nibles	٥	8	0	
	9	Throat pit and	Vnder the Dugges	7 3	9	0	
	16	•	Waste	3	10	0	
	9		Navile	11:11	16:16	0	1
	0		Hollow of the hips	0	0	0	
	0		Theirioints	0	0	0	
	18	N anile and the	Top of the thigh	9	13:13	0	
	13		Bottome of the belly	0	7	0	
	.0		Privities beginning	0	0	0.	
	9	N anile and the	Ende	0	0	0	
	30	Prinities and the	End of the buttockes	10 *	19:19	92	*orII
u	0	·	Hollow of the thigh	II	10	0	* or 16
the	26	Midknee and the	Kneeaboue Sinward	17	15	0	
ne	0		Milecabolic Coutward 2	0	O	0	
betweene	9:9	End of the priu: and the	Midknee	18	17	0	
	27	•	Contribute	0	0	0	
Ω	0		Knee below within	19	18	0	
	0			0	0	0	
	0	1 -1	Calfe Sinward outward	17	16	0	
	0		Midlegge or calfe	15	25:25	0	
	9:9	Mid knee to the	Smale	39	28	0	
	24	Sole of the foote and the	Insteppe	33	26	0	
	0		Ankle	0	0	0	
	0		Heele	0	0	37	
	0		Toes extremities	20	0	0	
	16	Smale of the leg and the	Sole of the foote.	0	7	0	
		The A					
	II:II	Elbow and the	Top of the shoulders	20	16	0	
	0		Brawne neere the armep:	0	18	0	•
	4	Top of the fing: and the		22	25	0	
	0		Brawne below the elbow	19	22	0	
	0		Wrifte	23	40	0	
	O	11	Palme	0	0	0	
	0		Hand	19	36	0	
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OF THE PROPORTION OF A

WOMAN OF NINE HEADS.

CHAP. XV.



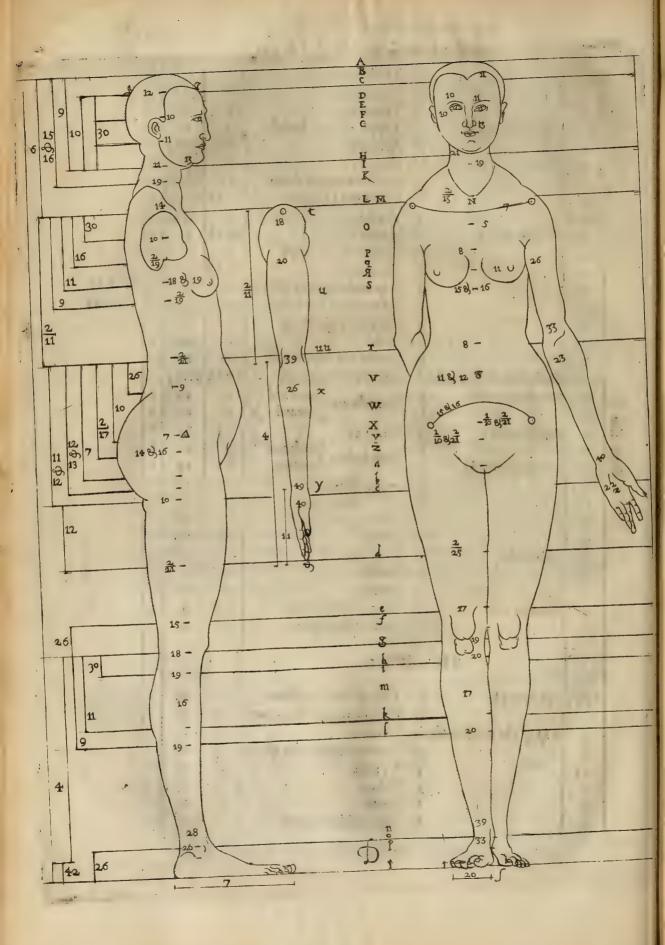
Hoven I might describe divers other proportions of bodies (albeit of small worth in respect of the principall) yet I purpose to pretermit them, as well for their small vse, as for breuity sake: wherefore, concluding the principall and most regular proportions, I come to the rest; and first to that of nine heads, which being very slender and comely, as representing the third degree of beauty, may be given not onely to

Nymphes, of the rivers, and to the Muses, though with divers attire, in regard of their place. This proportion, is from the top of the head to the chin, a ninth part of the length. The face from the roote of the haire, to the chin, may be either a tenth or an eleventh part, as shall please the Painter. This divided into three equall partes, the first gives the forhead, the second the nose, the third the chinne.

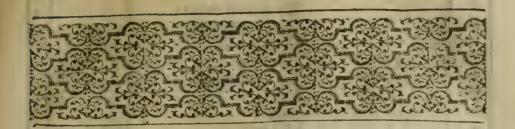
This body is measured, In

Bredth. Length. Adv. Tranf. Aver. Paries. A Top of the head Chinne to the 0 9 co the Auer. B Crowne Ó 0 0 in the pid. C. O C Roote of the haire 12 0 10 II WOIII D Forhead or temples 0 o IO 0 Roote of the hair to the E Eiebrowes IO 0 II 30 F Eares IO 0 0 9 G Nofe II Ø Eiebrowes to the 13 30 H Chinne and throate O 2 I 13 Nosetothe 1 Necke 2 I 21 15:16 Top of the head to the K Top of the should: 0 19 Ig Their

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	6		M	Shoulders	0	0	0	
	6		N	Throatpit	13:13	14	0	
	30	Throat pit to the	0	Toppe of the breaft	15	10	0	
	16		P	Armepits	8	19:19	7	
	II		Q	Dugges	0_	0	o	
	0		R	Nibles between them	II	18: 19	0	
	9		S	Vnder the Dugges	15:16	19:19		
	IIII		T	Waste	8	21:21	0	
	26	Waste to the	V	Navile	11:12	9 .	0	
	0		W	Hollow of the hips	0	0	0	
	0		X	Their ioints	15:16	0	0,	
	IO		Y	Top of the hips or thighs		7	0	¥
	17:17	7	Z	Bottome of the belly	10:82*	14:16	0	>
	7		2	Privities beginning	0	0	0	
	12:13		Ь	Ende	0.	0	0	
	11:12		C	End of the buttockes	0	10	10	
	12	End of the butt: to the	d	Hollow of the thigh	25:25	21:21	0	
	26	Midkneetothe	C	Contract	17	15	0	
	0		e f	Kneeaboue inward	0	0	0	
the	4	Insteptoshe	g	Midknee	19	18	0	
E	0	•	g h	e 11 . di	0	0.	0	
From	30	Mid knee to the	i	Knee below within	20	19	0	
	9		k	Calfe Sinward	20	19	0	
	11		1	Cane Contward	0	0.	0	
	0		m	Midlegge or calfe	17	16	0	
	0		n	Smale	39	28	0	
	26	Soletothe	0	Insteppe	33	26	0	
	42		P	Ankle	0	0	0	
	0		q	Heele	0	0	37	
	7	Heele to the	r	Toes extremities	20	0	0	
	0		ſ	Sole of the foote.	0	0	0	
		The	Syl	mepit.				
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	0			Brawne neere the armep:	26	20	0	
1	4	Top of the midf: so the		Elbowe	33	39	0	
	0			Brawne below the elbow	23	26	0	
	II		4	Wrifte	40	49	C	
	0			Palme	22	40	0	
	0			Hand	0	0 /	0	
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THE PROPORTION OF

A WOMAN OF SE-VEN HEADS.

CHAP. XVI.



T was not without good ground, that the olde Gracians made the goddesse Vesta but seuen heads high; because this proportion is graue and Matrone like, and therefore was attributed to the Earth, the common parent of all things. Besides, you may give it to anie other Goddesse, which hath any kinde of resemblance with the Earth, as also to the more stayed and ancient fort of women. Wherefore, it were a great oversight

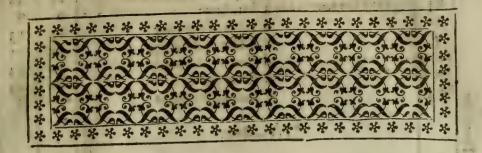
to give a slender and delicate proportion to Sibylla, or other grave and sage Prophetesses: as it were likewise to make a Prophet with such a proportion as belongeth to yong men.

This propor: is thus measured, In

Bredth. Length. Adv. Tranf. Aver. Partes. 10 &* Top of the should: to the Top of the head 23:23 18:19 Chinne to the Crowne 0 Chinne to the Roote of the haire IO 0 Roote of the hair to the Forehead 30 15:16 14:15 Forheadtothe Eichrowes 14:15 30 Eares 0 Eiebrowestothe Nose 0 Top of the head to the Chinne and throate 13 12 0

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	0		Betweene the jointes	11:11	0	0
	0		Shoulders	0	0	0
	11:11	Top of the head to the	Throatpit	5	10	0
9.5	28	Throatpit to the	Top of the Breast	15*		0
*15:15:15: * The armp:	15	Throat pit to the	Armepits	0	7:	*5
are lower be-	0		Dugges	6	13:13	
hinde then	9		* Nibles	*8		0
before. *Betweene	7		Vnder the Dugges		12:13	0
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	22	Waste to the	Nauill	5	7	٥
	0		Hollow of the hippes	4	10:11	0
	1		Betweene their iointes	0	0	0
	0			11:11	0	0
	9		Top of the hips or thighs	7:8	8:10	0
	1		Bottome of the belly	0	.0	0
	0		Privities beginning	0	0.	0
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ther way.	0	6.117	Cillwards +	0	0"	0
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	O		Knee below Swithout	0	0	0
	30	Midknee to the	Zwithin	25:25	0	0
	0		Calca SInward	14	12	0
	8	Midknee to the	Calfe Outward	0	0	0
	0		Midlegge, or calfe	22:24	30:22	0
	0		Smale	26	18	0
	20	Sole of the foote to the	Insteppe	0	0	0
	28	Sole of the footeto the	Ankle	25	0	0
	0		Heele	0	0	28
	6	Heele to the	Toes	16	0	0
	0		Sole of the foote	0	0	0
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		The	e Arme.			
	II:II	Elbow to the	Top of the should:	0	II	
	0	7,70	Brawn neere the armep:	16	12	0
	4	Top of the fingers to the			20	0
	0	- Tol the lingers to the	Brawne below	19		0
	10		Wrifte	15	7	0
			Palme	27 16	34	0
	0		Hande		0	0
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OF THE PROPORTION OF A CHILDE OF SIX HEADS.

CHAP. XVII.

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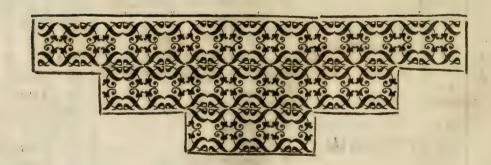
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	36	Top of the head to th	e B Crowne	8	8	
- 1	24		C Roote of the haire	7	13:13	
- 1	21: 22		D Eiebrowes	12:13	6	
	15: 15		E Nostrels bottome	8	7	
	3:13		F Mouth	10	7 8	
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	8	i.	O Vnder the pappes	11:12	1 2:15	The elbow
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		VVaste unto the	Q Nauill	5	12:14	the waste.
	8	r rajie onto the	R Toppe of the hippe	5	12: 13	
	0		S Hollow of the hippe	9:10	11:12	b The wrifte
	7		T Bottome of the belly	9:9	6	the bottome
	6		V Prinities	8:9	12: 13	of the belly. The top of
	9:9		W Ende of the coddes	9	7 or 8	the fingers
	8:10		X Ende of the buttockes	10	8	reach rothe
	8:8		Y Hollow of the thigh	II	119:19	buttockes.
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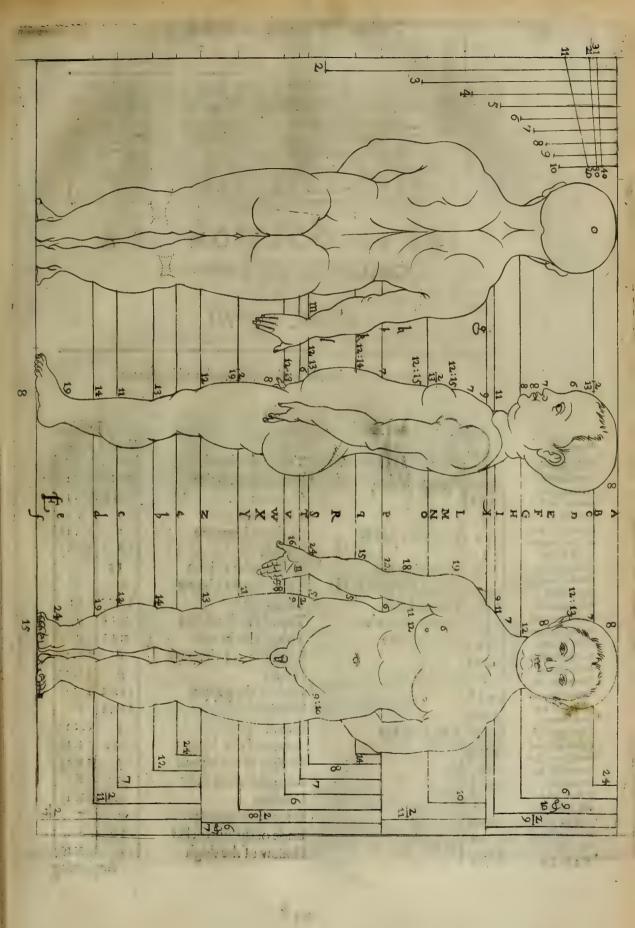
64	THE FIRST BOOKE						
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My author hath not the measures of the length, other wife then appeareth in the wargent.	g The ende of the should: h Vpper brawne i Elbow k Lower brawne l Betweene that & the wrist	19 18 22 15 22	15 13 24 18 21				

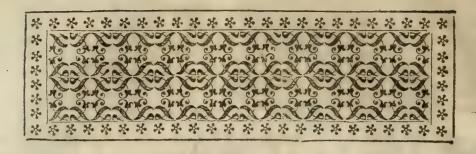


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THE PROPORTION OF A CHILDE OF FIVE HEADS.

CHAP. XVIII.

A childe of fine heads is likewise measured by partes

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* or 26	Parses.					ransverse	
* This space be-		Fat vn: the chinto the	Top of the head		10	10	1
ing aivided in-	24	Top of the head to the	Roote of the haire		12:12	12:13	ı
so shree equall	16 ×	r of of the home to the	Crowne		-	10:12	-
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so the begin:	0	0 1 1	Mouth			12:13	ı
of the nofirels, the third to the	b 20	Nostrels to the	Ende of the chinne		12	8	ı
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parces give swo	80	Throat pit to the	Top of the shoulders)c	9:11	9	
as also as 1	25	Thencetothe	Top of the breast	At the	7:11	7	
the other three	21: 21		Beginning of the paps	A	6	12:15	ı
	_		Nibles		6	13:13	
Besweene the	0		Ende of the pappes		11:12	12:15	П
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sweene the in-	8	-	Hollow of the hippes		5	12:13	
ner corner.	8:24		Bottome of the belly		9:9	6	
The mouth in the Adverse is	5	,	Prinities		8:9	12:13	
A 33 pars. In	8:10		Ende of the coddes		9	7	
the Transverse	7:8		Ende of the buttockes		10	8	
78.	1 4		Hollow of the thigh		II	19:19	
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		OF PROPORTION.			67
	101	Beginning of the knee	12 ,	Tİ,	•
	24	Midknee	13	12	
		Ende of the knee	14	13	
	13	Calfe of the legge	13	12	
	10:19	Ende of the calfe	19	14	•
	9:9	Insteppe	24	19	
43	7:8	Sale of the facts	15ª	8 b	* The upper
th		Sole of the foote of			part of the foot. The length of
From the		The Arme.			the trunf.
Fro	0	Ende of the shoulder	19	15	
	. 0	Vpper brawne	18	13	
,	0	Elbow	22	22	
	o	Lower brawne.	15	18	
	. 0	Between that & the wrift	20	21	
	0	Wriste	24	27	
	0	Palme	16	26	



THE PROPORTION OF A CHILDE OF 'FOVRE

HEADS.

This is A: Dam ters wholy.

CHAP. XIX.

This proportion is likewise measured by partes,

	Length	le .	In			redth.	
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	_		F iiij		·N	oftrels	so she chinne,

A roll of 1					
* The space be-	0		*Nostrels by the powle	0	4
tweene she eie.	0		Bottome of the eare	0	201
chinne divided			Mouth	0	1
into 3. halfe	0			9	5
makes the nose;	0 .		*End of the chin & necke,	9	9
which denide	4	Top of the head to the	End of the fat vind: the chin	0	0
into 3, the first		1 of of the near terms	Throatpit	0	0
giues the no	0				
Strets , the fecod	60	End of the fat und: the chintothe	d Top of the should:	4	15:15
shar space be-	16		Top of the breast	7:7	-6
tweene that &	TA		Armepits		0
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chesh from the	7		Waste		
eicbr: so she end of she nostrels.	5	•		5	6
e Denide the	2 I	VVastetothe	Nauill	17*	II: II
space besweene	15:15		*Top of the hippes	15:*	9:10
the nostrels and			Hollow of the hippes	17.	10:11
she chinne into	14				
5.2 make she	6		Bottome of the belly	15	5
upper lippe, she	10:11		Privities	0	0
other 3. the	9:9		Ende of the coddes	15:16	6
space beswixe			Ende of the buttockes	8	
the mouth and	4	m 1 Cal Luca de a alla			7
	58	Ende of the buttockes to the	Hollow of the thigh	17:17	
Parte the nose of into 3 equal	18		Beginning of the knee	19: 20	8
Parte the nose Q	0		* Mid knee	12	10
	ì	Midknee to the	Ende of the knee		
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3. she space be-	0		Calfe of the legge	23:23	10
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and the bredth	0		Insteppe	19	16
of the nostrels		Insteppesoshe	Sole of the foote		
which is equall	20	Instepperation	Sole of the loote	27:27	13:14
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of the mouth.		The Ar	me.		
* Betweene the			- the law .		
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*17:17	0		Vpper brawne	17	12
17	11:11	Ende of the should: to the	Elbowe	16	16
*16:16:16	0		Lower brawne	14	15
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zoines of the	0	cr. a chale: 16		to a super contraction	
hips 11:11.	9	Top of the midfinger to the	Wrifte	-20	23
* 17:17	0	,	Palme	13	21
17	4	Elbow to the	Top of the middlefinger	0	0
*15:15	7		1		
			2		
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sop of she hips.					
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OF THE EXTERNAL PARTES OF AN HORSE IN PARTICVLAR. AND OF THEIR NAMES.

CHAP. XX.



OR our better vnderstanding of the proportions of this beaff, I thinke it not amisse, first to set downe the names of all his outward partes, least (besides the obscurity) we might easily mistake one part for an other. especially since the names hereof are not verye well knowen, & diverfly termed by fundry persons. So thar, by this meanes, the reader may be directed by these names, which I have take out of the best Italia writers.

First then those haires which growe about the forhead, are called by the generall name of haire, and the whole tuffet of haire together, is called the fore-toppe; those likewise which hang downe on each side of the eare, together with those on the crest of the necke, betweene the top of the head, and the beginning of the backe, make the mane. At the top of the head and the beginning of the vpper iawes, growe the eares. The space betweene the cares aboue, is called the powle; below, the top of the forhead. The swelling about the eiebrowes is termed the concaue: The pointes or corners on each side of the ciebrowes in the inside, are called the inner corners, & in the outfide, the outward corners. The upper ia we is that which endeth with the lower, the necke below, and the throat vinderneath. The lower lawe endeth with the barre and the nose, the holes whereof are called the nostrels. The barre is that rising up about the mouth, where the bitte is put. The most achiamlyeth betweene the nose and the vpper lippe. The lower lippe is vnder the mouth, beneath which is the barbe; which endeth with the barre & the

From the top of the head behinde, to the beginning of the backe, is the necke; the fore-part whereof is called the throate. The beginning of the breast is called the throat pit. The throate beginneth under the lawes. The Shoulder standeth on each side betweene the breast, the neck, the back, the ribs, and the beginning of the forelegge. The concauties on each fide of the

breast

breast at the vpper ioint of the fore-legge, are called the arme-pits. The fore-legge reacheth from the shoulder, the breast, and the arme-pits, to the knees and from thence, to the next ioint belowe, which is the ende thereof. From this ioint to the hoose, is the pasterne. The haire about the top of the hoose is called the crowne. The hinder part of the hoose is the cawke or heele. The haires growing behinde the ioint, and the parting, are named the fetlocks. The whole space betweene the lower ende of the legge, and the sole of the soote, where the shooe is set, is the forefoote, and on the hinder legge the hinder-foote.

The backe beginneth at the mane, and reacheth to the croope. The croope beginneth at the beginning of the truncke aboue, and endeth with the buttockes and flankes. The fides are contained on each fide betweene the backe, the shoulders, and the hips. The belly or paunch lieth under-neath the sides, and is limited before with the breast, and behinde with the yarde. The truncke or strumpell is the beginning of the taile; under which is the hole through which the excrements are avoided, placed in the buttockes; whose lower ende is at the beginning of the hips, or rather at the

buckle bones behinde.

The beginning of the forepart of the hinder-leg is called the point of the hippe, which endeth at the thighes. The inside of the hippes belowe the stones, is called the hollowe of the thigh. The yarde and his place is well knowne. The thigh endeth at the hocke or toppe of the garetto or shanke, which belongeth properly to the hinderlegges, and the garetto or shanke it selfe, reacheth from thence to the ioint belowe. The haires behinde the iointes (as on the forelegges) are called * pasternes, being likewise ioyned to the feete with the crowne, hoofe, and sole of the soote, saue that the forefeete are called handes, (as is said) which for beauty sake would be rounde, and the hinder feete; which would be somewhat longer, yet in a decent proportion in respect of the handes.

Finally for our better vnderstanding of the whole (to omit the taile which is fastned to the strumpell) we must note that these proportions have a two-folde consideration. First by parallele lines from the toppe of the head to the sole of the foote, descending orderly from one member to an other both before and behinde, allowing just length, bredth, and thicknesse to each member. Secondly by measuring the just length of the members as well foreright as backwardes, and sidelong: as in the reading shalbe perceaued. Here I purpose to speake of the first proportion; and in the second place, of the second. Now the special observations for the choise of a good

horse, are these.

The markes of afpeciall good horfe, See Barsas fecond weeke: & first day.

Rather fer

tocker.

Obserne.

The top of his head should be iust as high from the ground as a well proportioned man: for if he be lower he will looke like an Asse, if higher like an Elephant: &c. Whence the beholder should be deprined of the contentment of seeing a goodly man, vpon a proude and stately horse. But to my purpose, I will begin with the seete (as the manner of the Riders is) who assure vs that although an horse be of neuer so good an haire and yet vnproportionable, he is of small worth: thus writeth Grison and others.

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The hoofe must be large, rounde, and hollow, the heele large, the crowne flender and hairy, the pasternes shorte, the iointes bigge, the legs straight and spatious, the forelegges full of sinewes, the hollowes shorte, euen, and iust, the knee leane, bigge and plaine. The brawnes of the legges aboue the knee, would stand wider about then beneath; the shoulders long, large, and flleshy; a large and rounde breast; a necke not too shorte, but rather somewhat long and thicke towardes the breast, arching about the middest, and slender towardes the head; eares small, sharpe, and vpright, of equall length; a leane and broad forhead; great eies; the hollowes of the eiebrows full, and standing outward; thinne, leane, and broad iawes; nostrels open & fwelling, that the red within may appeare; and (in a word) the whole *head *our Northern would be mixed with a kinde of length, and leanenesse as it were ful of hils, far, Haip bea. by reason of the aboundance of veines; which length must carry this pro- seron. portion, that in respect of the length it seeme long, but in regarde of the necke and all the rest, shorte: the mane long and curled; the taile so long that it touch the ground; the trunke or strumpell of a moderate bignesse, well set on and couched betweene his buttocks; a shorte backe, neither rifing too high, nor finking two lowe; his loines rounde, and plaine towardes the chine or back-bone, which would be full of dimpled furrowes; large and long ribbes, with a little rising betweene the hinmost rib and the joint of the hippe; a long belly, fomething big and hanfomly hid under the ribs; full flankes; round and plaine buttocks, prettily declining, with an hollowe gutter in the midst, and a good space athwart the buttocks. Long and spatious thighes, with well proportioned bones, and fleshly within, and without; large, drie and extended thankes; crooked and wide gambrel-hockes like an Hart; stones and yarde small.

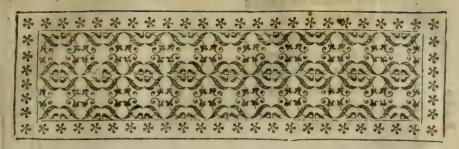
Note that all his limmes must be correspondent to the bignesse of his body, answerable to the Hart, somewhat higher *behinde then before. All * werecken which particularities are to be vnderstood of a very faire, goodly, & prowd- tray; which treading horse, whose instand exact proportion I intende to describe. Fol- will (as they lowing herein Leon: Vincent, who was most rare in making of horses as well strough his in Plasticke as in Painting: as may appeare by his Anatomie: with whome girenand there we may couple Raphael, and Gaudentius, who attained vnto the like rare fore have F perfection in this skill: Howbeit, we may also delineate other fortes of hor- der legges shore les, as the bertoni, and such like fat and unlightly horses, or leane and raw ere if any dis. boned iades, as the Turkey horse, or divers others of forrein nations. All like is I leave him to hi which I purposely omit, meaning to handle only the first, after whose ex- indgement. ample, the particular proportions of all the rest may be drawne, by obser-

uing fuch rules as shall be deliuered hereafter.









OF THE PROPORTION OF AN

HORSE BEFORE AND BEHINDE

CHAP. XXI.

HE height of the horse is from the top of the head, to the sole of the fore-so ote. Nowe this height is to bee devided into partes equall aremy auand vnequall, like that of the man; as followeth, Top of the head to the ende of the mostachium 7:8 To the bottome of the care 33 To the top of the brow or concha II To the outward angle of the eie 10 To the inner ende of the concha 8 To the beginning of the throat vnder the lawes 15:16 To the bottome of the upper iaw in the transverse 12:14 To the beginning of the mouth 9:10 Beginning of the nostrels 8:10 The ende of the nostrels The Adver semea sure in breadth Betweene SEares aboue the foreheade 24 Outside of each eare the 23:24 Concha or brow 9 Outwarde corners of the eies 9 Inner corners of the eies 14 Beginning of the throate, the necke is 12:14 Face 23:24 Ende of the vpper iawes 13 Beginning of the mouth 31:31 Nostrels Ende of the nole which answereth to the ende of the necke 10:12 G j.

I found thefe mealures most corruptly fet downe. and was driuen parrily by gesse, & part-ly by examination of the life, to reduce them to this mediocritie. The margi.

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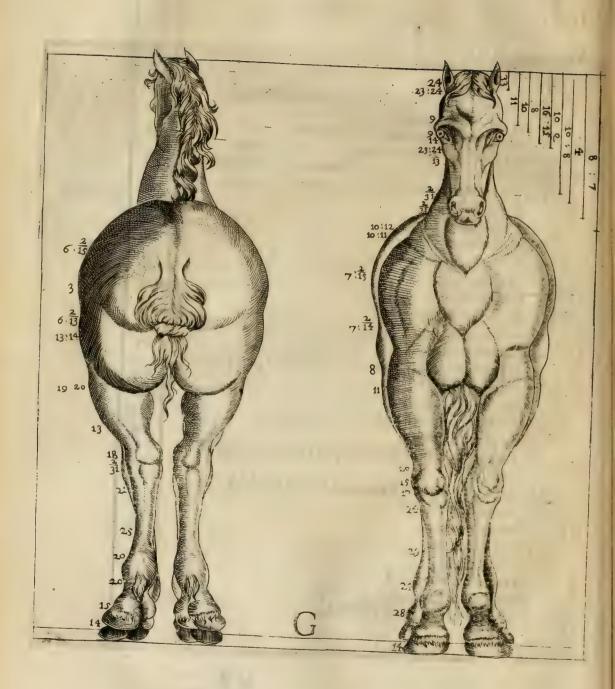
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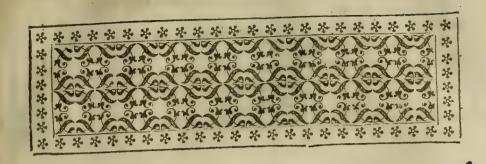
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THE FIRST BOOKE

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1	Breast at the throat pit	7:15:15
	Hollow of the forelegges	7:14:14
	Betweene the two hollowes	8:10
	Betweene the forelegs vnder the break	8
es	Same place the diameter of the legge is	II
th.	Top of the knee	20
Atthe	Biggest part thereof	15
·	Middle	17
	Lower parte	24
	Aboue the iointe	24
	Smale of the legge	29
	Vnderneath the iointe	28
	Hoofe	
	Sole of the foote	14
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	Vpper parte of the buttockes behinde the trunks	6:15:15
	Vnder the trunke	
,	Hole	3
	Beginning of the stones	3 6:13:13
- '	Hippe by the toppe of the huckle-bone	
	Bottome of the buttockes	13:14
,	Bottome of the hippes	19:20
		13
	Top of the garetto, or hockes Ende of the thigh and the middest of the	10
83	head of the garetto	07.07
Atthe	Bottome of the head of the garette	31:31
¥	Smale of the legge	21
Ĭ	Tannastikaisint	25
	Toppe of the jointe Bottome of the jointe	20
		20
	Corona	15
	Sole of the foote	14
	The diameter of the body from fide to	
	fide, directly behinde the beginning of	0.5
	the necke.	8:9
	The largest place betweene the middest thereof	6:7
	The narrowest place at the top of the yarde	6:15:15
	It now remaineth, that we speake of the breadth of the limmes	
	transverse or sidelong, beginning at the Head,	
61	The length of each eare is	17
4	Beginning of the eare to the hinder part of the necke	13:14
From the	The thickeneffe of the necke	35
Fr	Eare to the foreheade	35
	Beginning of the throate to the ende of the concha before	8
		Thence

OF PROPORTION.		75
Thence to the inner corner of the eie	9	or 19:20
One corner of the cie to the other	30	
One fide of the eie to the other	41	
The Head at the bottome of the vpper iaw	10	
At the bathe	12	
From the mouth to the fore-parte about the nostreis	17	
At the beginning of the mouth	12	
From the midit of the mouth before	21	
To the opening of the nostrels before	32	
The nostrell it selfe	44	
The mostachium from the ende of the nose to the mouth	35	
The bredth of the barbosso	46	
The necke at the beginning of the throate	9:10	
At the ende of the necke and beginning of the backe	4	
From the hollowe of the forelegge to the forepart of the breast	18	
The bredth of the forelegge behinde where it ioineth with		
thebelly	9	or 15:16
His bredth vnderneath	19:20	
Aboue the knee	16	
At the midknee	17	
Beneath the knee	24	
Aboue the iointe	23	
Vnder the pasternes	27	
The Corona	13	
The fole of the foote	12	
The hinder legge betweene the pointe of the hippe and the		
buttockes	8:10	
Vnder the buttockes	(2:14	
At the ende of the first muscle of the hippe	15: 16	
Ende of the thigh	10	
By the top of the head to the garetto, to the bignesse of the		
thigh	II	
By the ende of the thigh to the middle of the thigh	13	
Bottome of the heade	24	
Aboue the iointe	18	
Below the iointe	18	
Arthe Corona	II	
At the fole of the foote	10	
The stubbe or stumpell of the tayle is	32	
The length of the case of the yarde is	19	



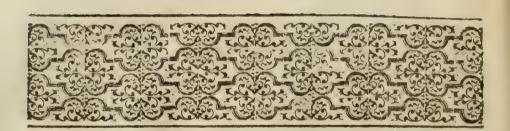


OF THE MEASVRES OF AN HORSE FROM LIMME, TO LIMME.

CHAP. XXII.

U- proportions of this prefent horse	The proportions of this present horse, may also bee measured side- long, for more ease and perspicuitie sake. And first;						
lang for more ease and perspicuitie sake	ke. Andfirst;						
From the throatpit, maight to the hands	the horse:) answering						
to the line, reaching from the lole	of the roote to the top	2:7:8					
of the backe or withers, is	of the throat	12:14					
From the top of the necke to the beginning	501 the throws	5:5	or 5:7				
Thence to the necke		7:8					
To the throate To the throatpit		5:13:13	or 7:13:13				
From the beginning of the backe, to the be	ginning of the fore-leg						
backewardes		5:13:13					
1 1		7:7	or 7				
the hollow of the fore-legge, to the	beginning of the trunke	3:4					
Bottome of the necke to the trun	ke	4:7:8					
Thence to the point of the hippe		4					
or January of the hittocks	4 4 4 9	4					
To the middelt of the nead of the	he garetto behinde						
Thence to the middelt of the lole	of file roote	6:15:15	or 15: 16				
- t 1 to the hollow of the IC	OLC-ICEEC	1 .	or 5:5				
Thence to the middle of the kiles	Dacison	7:8					
		7.0					
The diameter of the bodie, betweene the	ne middelt of the back	6:15:15					
and the belly		Fron	a				
· -	G iij.						

From the members to the beginning of the buttockes From the lower ende of the buttocks behinde, to the beginning of	6:15:15
From the lower ende of the buttocks behinde, to the beginning of	
the thigh before	9
From the top of the head of the garetto behinde, to the end of the	
fore-part of the thigh	16
All which measures, are only to be understood of an horse standing	
fide-long For as he standeth fore-right, from the throat-pit	
to the hollowes of each forelegge is	12:14
From each of these to the middle of the breast	15: 16







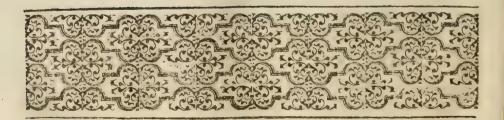
And thus doe I shut vp the proportions of a wel made and sightly horse, even to the smallest measure. For the persect vnderstanding whereof, there is great diligence and patience required; without which, my selfe coulde never have beene able to have gone through with them. VV herefore, whosoever shall persectly acquaint himselfe therewith, and make them familiar vnto him, wilbe very well able to paint, or otherwise to frame an horse most exactly: as contrariwise he that is ignorant thereof, will never be able to personne any pleasing or gratious peece of worke: in so much as scene is conversant about the hardest matters.

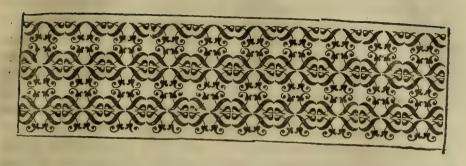
But now it is high time to proceede to Architecture, considering likewise whence eache order thereof hath his original, according to the rules of proportion: thewing how it is to be understood after the opinions of the auncient and late writers, by examining which of them are grounded up-

pon the best reasons, &c.

Breast, n. The Powle, a. Shoulder, o. Forhead, b. Arme-pits, p. Concaue, C. Brawn of the fore-leg, q. Croope, A. Nose, d. Knee, r. Buttocke , B. Iam upper, e. Small of the legge, s. Hippes, C. Iam nether, f. Nostrels, g. ioint , t. Thigh, D. Hocke or head of garetto, E. Mostachium, h. Crowne, u. Hollow of the thigh, F. Hoofe, W. Barbe, i. Backe, x. Necke, k. Sides, y. Throate, I. Throat-pil, m. Belly, Z.

OF





OF THE PROPORTIONS OF THE ORDERS OF ARCHITEC. TVREIN GENERALL

CHAP. XXIII.



S in all naturall thinges, neither goodnesse can stande without beauty, nor beauty without goodnesse: so in things artificially framed and composed, nothing can promise profite or comoditie without combinesse, which consistent wholy in due proportion: So that profite and commodity, ariseth as well from Arte, as Nature. For daily experience teacheth vs, that slender, thinne, and delicate things, as they carry neither substace nor

strength with them, so they weaken and offende the sight, by dispersing it too much; and contrariwise grosse, thicke, and compacted thinges, es they be rude and combersome, so doe they also dazell and distemper the eie. But things neither too slender nor too groffe, but keeping a proportionable mediocritie, doe delight and satisfie the eie of the indicious beholder, as he is more or lesse affected therewith, leaving so much the more contentment behinde them, by how much the party is more acquainted with beauty, and the knowledge of proportions. For although a rude fellowe beholding a beautifull thing, take pleasure and delight therein; yet he cannot so perfectly conceine thereof, as another who hath skill in proportion. Whence it commeth to passe, that all beautifull and well made thinges, please all men in generall, as being both pleasant, and profitable, though not equally and after the same manner; the reason whereof is, because each man naturally differeth from another: So that if two speciall good workemen shall make each of them an absolute good piece in all respectes, yet will there appeare manifest difference betweene them, although (I say) both of them bee commendable, fayre, and good. A thing common to all

*Lib 6. cap. the best Architects both newe and olde; as shalbe shewed in my * booke of Compositions, especially concerning the orders, and partes of buildings: whereof I will fay no more now, hastning to the handling of the proportions in hand; The severall orders whereof before I begin to vnfolde, for our better instruction heerein, we must note, that in all workes there is a double confideration, without which it is impossible to make any good or commendable piece of worke.

> First then we must observe, what proportion the worke ought to have naturally in respect of it selfe; secondly in respect of the eie; whence the whole beauty and ornament thereof proceedeth, as from the former the vse and commodity, by reason of the strength of the partes thence arising.

> As touching the first which is the naturall, I hold that it can be no more disposed of without the latter, then this can stand without that: the reason whereof is, because as the whole frame is made for profite, so ought it also to be fightly and well proportioned; which beauty of proportion ariseth necessarily from these two waies, which cannot bee severally disposed of, but the one will exceede the other: for if it should be otherwise, the whole

must needes be endangered.

Againe, if we should wholy respect the natural and proper proportion. it would vindoubtedly followe, that the want of this other part would diminish both the vse and beauty of the worke. As for example, in a wall or columne furnished with letters or smal histories from the toppe to the bottome; if the letters or hillories shall carry their true and natural proportion, they must be made all of an equall bignesse, and so it will come to passe, that (besides that the vppermost will diminish, offending the eie by seeming smaller) they cannot be so perfectly read, as those belowe may, nor the small figures in the histories be discerned, so that the vse and profite of the picture will be taken away, the decay whereof diminisheth the beauty also; and so shall we loose both vie and beauty.

For which cause, the ancient were wont to make the vpper letters a good deale larger then those belowe, according to the Perspectiues: So that in the felfe tame draught, they represented the proper proportion of the thing feeming equall to the eie, and fo reaped both benefite and pleasure of feeing and reading the letters; as at this day is to be seene at Rome in Traians columne wrought all ouer with histories, in which the pictures seeme all of an equall bignesse, and therefore must needes be larger at the toppe then

beneath.

Now for our better information, in matters of greater importance concerning particular buildings, we must understand, that in making orders of pillars uniformely one about another if we shall give them all their proper proportion without regarde to the Perspectines, some of them will seeme too lowe, by reason of the slying and shooting away of the wall about the Horizon, notwithstanding they have their true proportion, &c. Hence we fee how the projectures & juttings out of the architraues, pedestals, and cornishes, hide the upper parts too much, so that the columns loose that beauty which the fight ought to receive.

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Againe, if in imbossed or painted figures placed on high we observe only this naturall proportion, we shall plainly perceive that the personages will seeme like Dwarfes or Pygmies. Wherefore I am of opinion, that the ancient gave not the naturall proportion to their huge statuaes and colosse, as that at Rhodes, to the ende they might make them fit the eie without offence; for otherwise, the heads standing so high would have seemed no bigger then the heeles; but by mixing both the proportions together, the members increased by degrees, as the bodies shot up in height; the like order they kept in their highest Pillars, Obels sees and such like things: So that the true skill hereof, is one of the chiefest secrets of the Art of Delineation, and the Perspectities: and can truely be understood, but onely of such as are their crafts-masters in them both.

Touching the second way, if we should dispose of a thing without his proper proportion, having onely regarde to the eie, it would early decay, or prooue but of small continuance: wherfore, in this part it is requisite that we see the things perfectly, as if they were offered to our sight in their equall proportion, because otherwise they being raised higher, would prooue too exceeding large and long, in respect of the point of the ordinary intersection of the visual lines, and perspective distance; and so one part would not support the other either in height or breadth, & consequently the thing

would not please or content the eie.

Now if we shall dispose of a picture without either of these, we shall make most desormed and unproportionable things. Wherfore in all workes we must be sure to observe both these waies, first giving the proper, and then the Perspective proportion; because the uniting of these two proportions, causeth that commendable grace in the beholding of thinges, which is understood only of the intelligent, and admired of the ignorant. Which the ancient well perceiving, ordained that one order should sutably succeede another, according as the worke rose up in height, so that it gamed grace, beauty, and profite. Wherefore in Coloseo the Composite standeth uppermost, next unto it the Corinthian, then the Ionick; and lower-most opposite to the eie the Dorick. And after this rule, all the other parters and members follow orderly.

But now I come to the Architects, who in the selfe same order have v-fed divers proportions, as may appeare by the remnants of the olde master-workemen collected by Seb: Serlius, by the measures set downe by Petruceius; and by those which Iames Barocius hath delivered; all which differ
each from other. For Petruccius would have the plaine square of the Tussame stylobata a perfect square; because that forme is the strongest; that of
the Dorick a diagonall proportion; of the Ionick a sesqui-alter; of the Corinthian a supra-bipartient; and of the Composite a double proportion. Hee
would also have the Tuscane columne consist of sixe diameters, in height
from the bottome of his base; the Dorick seven; the Ionick eight; & so forwardes of the rest, and all their other partes according to the particular dis-

course of each order.

But Barocius hath a newe ready invention, to measure these orders after

an other fashion, and it standeth vpon this generall rule; namely, that the third part of the whole columne, together with the capitell and base, should give the inst height of the pedestall, together with his ornamentes: and the fourth part of the columne should give the Architrane, Zophorus, and Cornishe. Whence it commet to passe, that the Tuscane pedestall (if we will allowe the Scapus or trunke to bee of sixe diameters, according vnto Vitruvius lib. 4. with his base and capitell) differeth very much from the proportion now specified, as being too slender; and the Corinthian exceedeth a double proportion with his plinthus and base; which would not have beene, if they had kept the third part: and so in the other partes hee proceedeth, varying from Petruccius very much, although his method bee very commendable. But I will say no more here concerning the variety of these proportions, or of divers other things which I might speake of to this purpose.

Nowe if any man shall graunt, that these Architranes, Freizes, and Cornishes doe adde a grace and beauty to the columnes, and yet shall demaund a farther reason, why they must consist of inst so many diameters, and that otherwise they could not proone beautifull: I answere (as I have already thewed in the beginning of this first booke) that the Dores being at the first to seeke what proportion they should give their columnes, considered that a stout well set man, being the certainest and most sure patterne of all things, was sixe foote high; wherefore in imitation thereof, they made the Dorick columne in height, sixe diameters of the basis of the trunke or

Thafte.

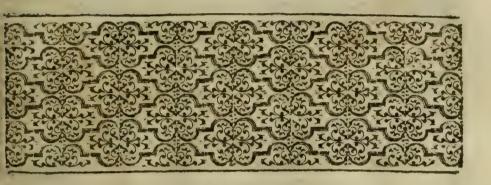
The Ionians afterwardes vpon occasion, purposing to make a columne both strong and proportionable, translated the Dorick columne from seete to heads, imitating therein the proportion of a stout and strong man; whose body is seuen times the length of the head in height; and so that which before was sixe diameters of seete, they made it seuen heads; and dedicated that order vnto Hercules, and then to Mars and Minerua by reason of a certaine vertue voide of nicenesse, which they imagined to be in them, not dressing it with curious ornaments, but leaving it substantial and faire.

Nowe the Tuscanes followed the first columne of sixe seete, adorning it with clownish members, and from themselves called it Tuscana. The same Ionians, farther considering that the goodliest (but most matrone-like) proportion of mans body consisted of eight heads, observed the measure thereof in their second columne, making it so many diameters high, but added more beautifull ornamentes then the first Ionick had; whose nature when they had waied, they dedicated it vnto Iuppiter; and by reason of a kinde of severity and strength of hunting to Diana; and to Bacchus for some other resemblance.

The third columne called the *Corinthian*, from the country where this proportion was first inuented being drawne from a proper, itender, and tall young woman of nine heads, was lengthned and adorned about the rest with limmes and ornaments of beauty and sweetenesse, and was dedicated to *Venus*, *Flora*, *Proserpina*, and other Nymphes of the fountaines, to the

Muses

eth.) Wherefore we may be bolde, to represent any columne after the similitude of mans body, which is the perfectest of all Gods creatures; and so shall it neither exceede, nor be desective: and so consequently will all the parties which are reduced vnto these proportions, proove exceeding beautifull: And thus I come to the particular measures of each severall order.



OF THE PROPORTION OF THE TYSCANE ORDER.

CHAP. XXIIII.



HE Tuscane or Rustique order is vsed only in fortes and gates of Cities, as being stronger then the rest: it hath sewer ornamentes, and is of a rude and grosse forme. His proportion (which heere I meane briefly to set downe, omitting the barbarous and Greeke names, and vsing only the vulgar and most knowne termes amongst the Architectes of our age) is as follight, I have loweth.

Scapus.

First the * Scapus or shafte with his base and capitel is (according to Viby, of his exact height,

fight, I have made the fcapus shorter then his due, but have given a line by, of his exact height,

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Basis.

The Base in height is halfe the breadth of the columne: deuide this into two equallpartes, and give one to Plinthus, A: the other must be deuided into three: give two to torus B: and the other to regula C: his proiedure D is thus made. Make a circle 1. as bigge as the base of your columne, and placing that within a square two, upon the outwarde corners of the sayde square draw an other circle, 3. and it giveth you the inst proiecture. The Plinthus of this base only is rounde (according to Vitruvius) and all the rest square.

Capitulum.

The height of the Capitellis almuch as the base, which being decided into three partes, one maketh plinthus, E; the seconde devide into source, whereof three make echinus F; and the sourch annulus G: the thirde part remaining serveth for hypotrachelion H. The astragalus I, with his square or fillet is halfe the hypotrachelion; these being devided into three partes; two are for astragalus, and one for the square K; whose projecture shall be as much as his height, and the astragalus as much as both of them togither.

The diminishing of Scapus.

The shaft or trunke of the columne is to be diminished a fourth parte at the toppe; so that the Capitellaboue is almuch as the trunke below: where it is called the bottome of the scapus, as at the vpper ende, the toppe of the scapus.

The Architraue, Zophorus, and Cornish, which are placed about the Co-

pitellare likewise proportionable.

Architraue.

First the architraue L, is as high as the Capitell, a fixte parte whereof maketh fuscia called also tenia, M

Zophorus.

The Freize or Zophorus N, is as high as the Cornish, O.

Cornish.

Deuide the Cornish into source partes: one give the vpper Cymatium P, the other two the Corona; and the fourth the lower Cymatium Q, his proiecture is as much as the height of the Cornish: save that some will have Corona (for beauty sake) to intee no farther out then his height. Wherefore the
Cornish shall intee out so much the farther, carrying forth the Cymatium
as much as he is high, excepte the fascia: in place whereof you may put
a Cornish with his square. This Tuscane may also be made of * sixe diameters after the manner of seete (as is said) because the Doricke consisting of seuen is more delicate.

*This is it which is delineated.

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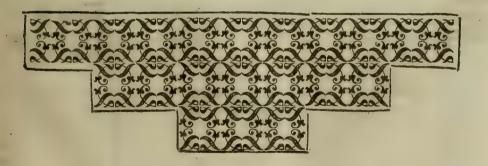
His Pedestall beneath is thus described. The whole perfect square without the base, Cymatium, and front is as broade as the plinthus of the base of the col: Deuide his height into foure partes; hereof give one to his bafe R. and an other to Cymatium aboue S: so that the pedestall must consist of sixe partes, as the columne doth: and by this meanes will it carry a proportio-

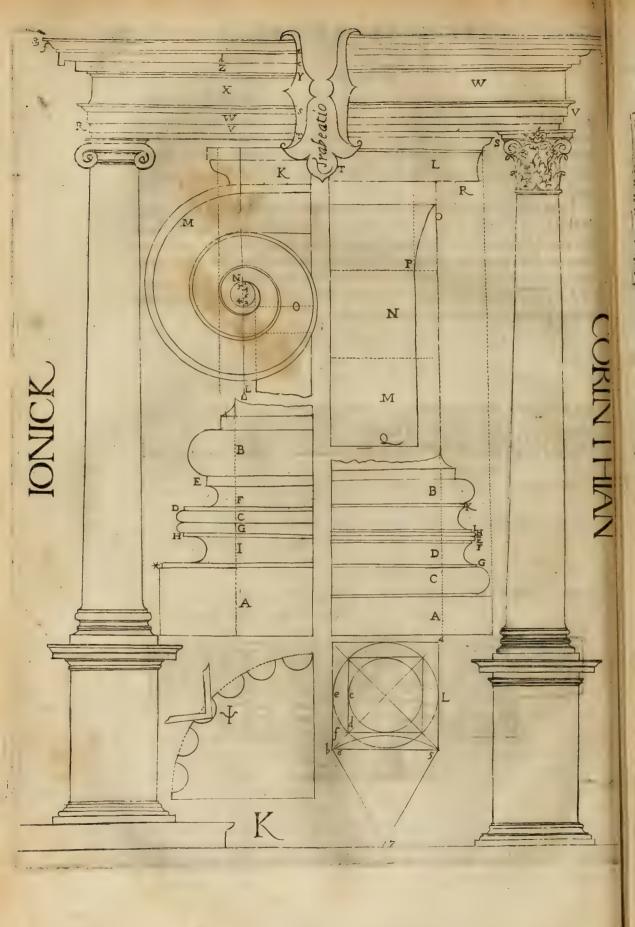
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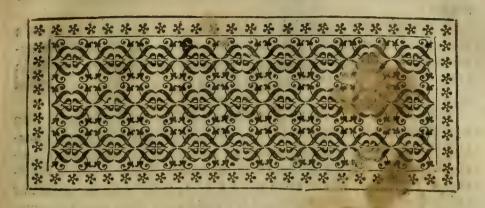
Here I might adde diverse other proportions and names of the partes in this order diverfly placed; which might also be added in the other; but for avoiding of confusion I omitte them, insomuch as the reader may finde them in diverse authors writing of this part of architecture. Howbeit I wil proceede, as I have begunne, in the rest of the orders, treading the steppes of Baltha far Petruccius, Raph: Vrbine &c, although they vary in some small matters, little appertaining to the purpose



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OF THE PROPORTION OF THE DORICKE.

CHAP. XXV.



H E Doricke base is halfe as high as the thickenesse of the col:, his Plinthus A, is a thirde parte of his height: the rest is deuided into foure partes: whereof one maketh the vpper astragalus B, called torus superior: the other three are denided into two equall partes, one for torus inferior C: and the other for scotia D: deuide this into seuen partes, give one to the vpper rule, called listello E, and an other to the lower F. The

proiecture of the base is halfe his height, and so the full diameter of the Plinthus is once and an halfe the thickenesse of the columne. But because Vigruvius measureth this order by * models, whom Petruccius hath also fol- A modell is lowed, I purpose likewise to keepe the same course, making the diameter halse a diaof this columne at the base, to consist of two models, whose height with meter. the base and Capitell shalbe fourteene models: for the base being one modell high, and the Capitellan other, the scapus must needes bee twelve medels long.

Capitell.

The height of the Capitellis deuided into three partes: whereof one maketh Plinthus G; wherein is contained the reversed hollowe called cymatium H, being the thirde parte of the same square: the other thirde possesseth the echinus I, with his steppes like three rulers K, all which H iij.

make a third part of Echinus; the last thirde parte is given to hypotrachelios L, whose hight is at the least a fixt parte of the coll: at the bottome of the

Scapus.

The breadth of the capitell aboue, is two modelles and one fixt parte of a modellyppon both fides. And because Vitruvius his description is accounted but very meane and naked by certaine late workemen, I meane in imitation of the ancient workes, to fet downe a more absolute and beautiful one, as followeth

First I will devide the capitellinto three equal partes (as before) then will I deuide the Plinthus G into three more, whereof one shall make Cymatium H with his rulers (as before) but this I subdeuide into other three, giuing one to the quadrate; and two to the cymatium: againe, I devide the Echinus I into three; whereof two make it selfe, and the thirde the rules or ringes K, which being three in number, and each of them deuided in two. make fixe in the whole. The hypotrachelion L, and projecture of each part, is asmuch as their height.

The astragalus M under the hypotrachelion with the apophigis, is halfe the

hypotrachelion and the apophigus is halfe the astragaliu.

Epistilium.

The Epistilium or Architraue M which is placed uppon the capisell, is one modell in height; and is devided into seven partes; whereof one containeth tenia N: the droppes or belles C; with the regula P vnder the tenia, are a sixte parte of a modell; this is devided into source partes, whereof the droppes take three, and the regula one: the droppes must bee fixe in number, hanging vnder the trighth having two a piece. The length of the trigliphe Q, is a modell and an halfe, their breadth a modell: which breadth is deuided into twelue partes, one whereof is lefte on each fide for halfe a gutter; of the twelue partes remaining, fixe must be given to the plaines or flattes of the triglyphi viz: two a piece; and foure for the two gutters; two a piece. The space betweene each triglyphus is a modell and an halfe; which makes a perfect square called Metopa R: which if you list to adorne, you may furnish with basons, and beastes heades, as the ancient vsed; who therefore placed them in their temples because they killed buls, and vsed basons in their sacrifices. Aboue the triglyphi are their capitelles S, containing the fixt part of a modell in heighth.

Corona.

Aboue them is Corona T with a double cymatium; one aboue, V, and the other belowe, W: all which deuided into fine partes, three make the Corona, and two the Cymatia X; the height of the whole is halfe a modell. Aboue the Corona is Scima called gula recta Y, and it is halfe a modell high, an eighth part whereof makes the regula aboue. Denide a modell into three partes, giue two to the proiecture of corona. In the bottome whereof aboue the triglyphi you shall describe the droppes, and betweene the triglyphi in the metopa thunderboultes.

The projecture of scima reversa is just his height; and so are all the o-

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ther partes saue Corona; vnder which in steede of cymatium the denticuli are placed.

Flutings.

The Flutings or gutters of this order must be * 20 in number, hollowed * Bluome in this sort. Draw a perpendicular line from each side of one of the gutters, then thut up these two lines with two other sides, which will make an æquilater square, crosse this square with two diagonall lines, and in the intersection of them which is the center, set one soote of your compasse, and describe a quadrant of a circle upon the large circumserence of your base, and this gives the true hollowing.

Pedestall.

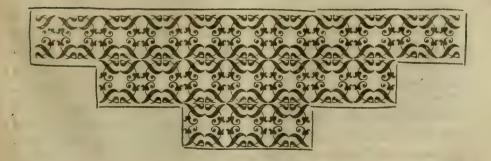
The Pedest all is as broade as the Plinthus of the base of the columne, his height in the plaine and vnrought part is a diagonal proportion. This devide into five parts; adde one to Cymatium and his parts, and another to the base. And so doth the pedestall proportionably consist of 7 parts, as the columne doth: all which together yeeld a goodly grace to the beholder.

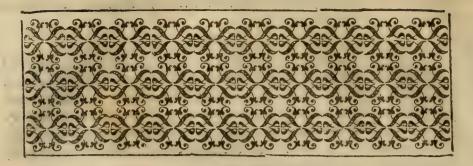
And so I conclude, leaving the more exquisite inventions of the ancient concerning this order, with their divers proportions to the more curious Antiquaries. A view whereof we may have at Rome in Iulians prison: in Marcellus his theater; at Forum Boarium: in Verona at the Triumphall Arche; and in divers other places in Italy, in many goodly fragments of antiquity. Only this by the way is to be noted, that this columne must be diminished above, a sinuch as the projecture of the apophigis and astragalus; because this is as broade as the bottome of Scapus.



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OF





OF THE PROPORTION OF THE IONICK ORDER.

CHAP. XXVI.

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ERB it is to be vnderstood, that the *Ionick* columne is commonly made of 8 diameters, with his *base* and capitell: and herein al the late workemen agree; howbeit, Vitruuius would haue it 8 and an halfe: each of these, is the true diameter of the bottome of the Scapus.

Basis.

The height of the Base is halfe a diameter. His plinth: A, is a third part of the height of the base: divide the rest into 3 parts: allow one for torus B above, and an other for the part beneath torus, which being divided into 6, give one to astragalus C, whose small ruler D is halfe his height: The square E vnder torus, is as much as astragalus it selfe: That which remaines his the midle, maketh trochilus or scotia F. The other third part which remaines is likewise divided into 6 parts, one for the lower astragalus G, and halfe of one for his square H: give so much to the square above plinthus, the rest makes the lower scotia I. The whole proiesture every way is an *eighth and a sixteenth part; so that the Plinthus on both sides is a fourth and an eighth part of the thicknesse of the col: at the most.

*Which is a litle lesse then a fifth part.

And here I will set downe the opinion of Vitruvius as touching this base: who in the 3 chap: of his 3 booke, would have it halfe a diameter (as is said) this he divides into 3, whereof he giveth one to plinthus; the other 2 he divideth into 7 partes, whereof torus hath 3, and the other 4 make both the scotia, with the astragali. As for the small squares he disposeth them thus. The said 4 parts are equally divided; each whereof hath one astragalus with his small square: the astragalus is one part, and the small square but halfe of one. The scotia belowe seemes bigger then that above, because this hath a greater projecture then that, although they be of the selfe same measure. But this may suffice for this base.

Capitell.

Capitell.

The height of the Capitellis a third part of the diameter of the columne. the front of the abacus K is as broad as the bottome of Scapus. Devide this into 18 partes, and adde hereunto one part more, viz. on each fide halfe an one, which in all make 19 partes: then on each fide cut off one and an halfe inwardes, and let downe a perpendicular line L, containing 9 partes and an halfe: whereof one and an halfe makes abacus, and the other 8 downwards make voluta or the scrowle M; coumpt 4 downwards from abacus, and the fifth shall make the Eye N: so that from the eie downwards there remaine 3, which amount to 8 in the whole. Devide the eie into 6 equal partes vpwardes; then place one foote of your compasse in the vppermost marked with 1, and the other foote vnder the abacus turning it downwards till you come to the perpendicular line; thence remoone the fixed foote of your compasse to the opposite division beneath marked with 2. and turne it vpwardes till you come to the perpendicular; then alter your compasse to the second marke aboue noted with 3, turne the other legge downwardes till you come to the perpendicular; hence moone your compasse to 4. and turne it vpwardes to the perpendic: then change your compasse to 5. and turne downwardes to the perpend: lastly remooue it to 6. and turne it vpwardes till it cut the circular line of the eie: within which on each fide you maie make a little rose.

Now the fillet is to be diminished proportionably like vnto the voluta; in the making whereof you shall not erre, if vnder the abacus you diminish a fourth part of the thickenesse of Voluta: howbeit some take it for the thirde parte of the eie, and others for the thirde of Voluta. But how soener it be, it shall bee marked out aboue, and belowe vppon the perpendicular, for the fourth part of Voluta, where it shall be equally diminished: so that as the Voluta thall come neerer togither, it thal also be diminished rateably: and for the making of it to winde about proportionably, you must ever seeke out the center in the eie, betweene one fourth parte aboue and belowe: and fo shal you turne your compasse from the vpper part of the perpendic: to the lower part thereof, proceeding stil vpwardes and downewardes, and finding out the right center of one point of the fascia to another, pointed out with a thirde or a fourth part as you please. And this I take to be the readiest and most certaine order of making the Voluta; the true description where-

of is harder then men imagine.

Flutings.

The Flutings or gutters of this col: must be twenty source, each whereof being deuided into fine partes, foure make the gutter, and one the space betweene; drawe a straight line from the inside of the space on either side of the gutter, and where they crosse is the center or depth of the gutter. If you would make the columne bigger by reason of the slying away of the Fluting, you may make 28.

Scapus

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The Scapus of the columne reacheth vp to the straight line O, at the bottome of the eie; howbeit Vignola would extend it to the middle of the eie, & this is to be vnderstood of the apophigis P, and astragalus Q, which are as much as the abacus. The voluta vnder abacus besides the fillet and astragalus, is double the apophigis; and the voluta is as much as from the top of astragalus, to the bottome of voluta, but hereof sufficient.

Architraue.

Now if the columne shall be betwixt 12 and 15 soote high, it will require an architrane R, of halfe the thicknesse of the bottome of the scapus. Is betweene 15 and 20, you shall divide it into 13 parts, whereof one gives the architrane: If betweene 20 and 25, divide it into 12 and an halfe, and one gives the architrane: if betweene 25 and 30 divide it into 12 parts, whereof one gives the architrane: and so according to the height you shall fit the architrane; to the ende that it seeme not too slender, by reason of the great distance, when we looke vpwards, nor too grosse and huge, when it is neerer. Having thus framed your architrane according to his just height, divide it into 7 equall parts; give one to cymatium S, whose projecture is as much as his height. The rest divide into 12 partes, give 3 to the first and lowest fascia T, 4 to the second and middlemost V, and 5 to the third and vppermost, W. The thicknesse of the architrane belowe, is answerable to the top of the scapus, and above to the bottome of scapus.

Zophorus.

If you will garnish the Zophorus or freize X with workes, you shall make him a fourth part higher then the architraue, but if you leave him plaine, a fourth part lesser. The cymatium Y about the freize, is a seventh part of the height of the freize, whose proiecture is as much as his height. Over which are the denticuli, Z. whose height is as much as the midle fascia of the architraue; their proiecture is likewise as much as their height. Their front a, is twise the breadth of their height; the hollow b betweene the denticuli, is a third part lesse then the bredth of the space betweene. The cymatium c about them, is a sixth part of their height.

Corons.

The Corona d with his cymatium e, is the iust height of the midle fascia or denticuli. The proiecture of corona and the dentelli, is as much as the freize with his cymatium.

Scima.

Seima fis halfe an eighth part more then corona, whose little square g, is a fixth part thereof: his project: as much as his height.

Pedestall.

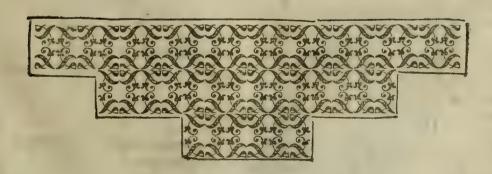
The front of the Pedestall is as much as the plinthus; the height of the smoothe plaine square is a sesquialter proportion, i. once and an halfe the breadth; and is denided into 6 parts, vnto which adde one fixth part for the bale, and an other for the upper cornish; so that the pedestall and the whole columne are proportionable each to other, confifting of 8 parts a piece.

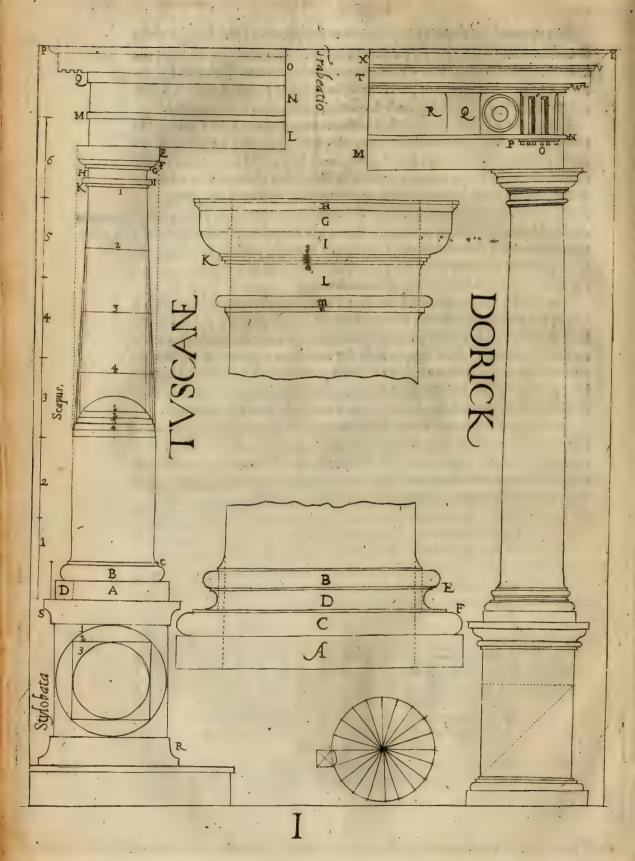
And here we must vinderstand, that those proportions of the Ionick order are fet downe but in generall; for they may be augmented and diminished at the discretion of the Architect, after the exaple of the ancient, of whose workes there are many Ionick pieces to be seene, but especially in Marcellus his theater, and divers other places something different one from another. Whereof we have many of the fairest, delineated by Petruccius in Petruccius Serlius his booke: where he setteth downe a new and most beautifull kinde his archiof proportion of the architraue, freize, and cornish, making the height of traue them all three together, a fourth part of the height of the columne, which Vienola doth also, and in all the other orders too.

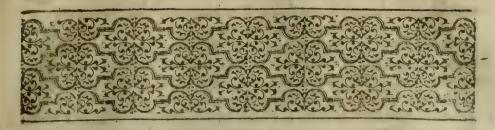
The fourth part is divided into 10. whereof 3 make the archit: which is divided as is shewed before; and are allowed for the freize; and the other foure for the cornist; which being divided into 6 parts, one gives denticuliz an other cymatium which supporteth the modilions; give 2 to the modilions, one to corona, and one to sima: let the proiecture of the whole be at the least as much as the height: the breadth of the modilions, is as much as their height with their capitels, although some would have them narrower.

And these are the very words of *Petruccius*, who reporteth that he tooke the proportion of this cornish from one at Rome in S. Sabina. But nowe I come to the Corin: order, which is absolutely beautiful and profitable; noting by the way, that the Ionick, col: aboue, reacheth just to the beginning of voluta on the fore-part, and right against the eie side-long.

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OF THE PROPORTION OF

THE CORINTHIAN ORDER.

CHAP. XXVII.



H & Corinthian order (which I have shewed to bee taken from the imitation of dainty Virgines, who are nimble and quicke, by reason of the tendernesse of their yeares, which maketh their limmes slender, and therefore more capeable of pleasing and comely action) hath generally nine diameters of his feapus in height; halfe his diam: maketh his Rafe, which being Bafis. deuided into foure partes, give one to plinthes A, and

devide the rest into five, whereof one maketh torus superior B, being a fourth part lesser then torus infer: C, the rest deuide into two equal partes; one gineth scotia inferior D, with his astragalus E; and two squares F, G; this astragalus is a seuenth part of scotia, and each square is halfe the astragalus; the other part is so devided, that the astragalus H, is a sixt parte of the whole, and his square I, halfe the astragalus; but the square K, under torus superior one thirde part bigger then the other. His projecture is made after the rule of the Ionicke order, and if he be placed vpon a plaine, after the Doricke handled before.

Capitell.

The Capitel is as high as the diameter of the bottome of scapus: his abacus L, is a seventh part of the height; devide the rest into three equal parts, give one to the leaves below, M, the second to those in the middest, N, and the thirde to the caulicola, O, called otherwise voluta, and of the Tuscanes Vitici. Betweene caulicola and the leaves there is a space P, lefte for the smaler leanes, from whence the caulicola grow. The capitell being first made naked (without leaues) must have his lower part Q, iust as bigge as the top of scapus. The fillet R, vnder abacus is halfe as high as abacus, which being deuided into 3 partes, give one to cymatium S, and his square; and the other

two for abacus. Vnder the foure hornes or corners of abacus are the bigger caulicola, & in the middle one flower T, as bigge as the height of abacus, vnder which are the leffer leattes placed, whence the caulicola grow: the leates in the middest must be eight in number, and those underneath as many. The breadth of abacus is to be founde out by a diagonale line a, b: containing two diameters of the bottome of scapus, vpon which draw a circle c: then cast a square d: about the extremities thereof; vpon the corners whereof you must draw another circle e: and about that cast another square f: which (according to Vitruvius) giveth the true proiecture of abacus. Having done this, open your compasse to the width of one of the sides of the greater square 5,6: and keeping them at that width set one foote vpon 5: and drawe a piece of a circle towardes 6: then remooue your compasse to 6: and draw like wife towardes 5: and where the lines cut 7, there place one foote of your compasse, and aftervvardes draw the other through the corners 5: and 6: which will give you the true projecture of the fides (which order you must keepe in the other three sides) and so shall you finde how the abacus reacheth out as farre as the Plinthus of the base; and if you drawe a line from the projecture of the abacus under the capitell unto his horne, there shall you finde the proiecture of the toppes of the bigger and lesser leaves to be exactly ioined togither with the caulicole, by meanes whereof this eapitel wilbe faire and choice by reason of this goodly proportion. Howbeir Vigniola(vpon what reason I know not) maketh the projecture of the bigger leaues farther out then the hornes, which because they seeme too short and drawne in, have often given occasion to many excellent workemen, to call these capitels bertoni, as you would say crop-eared.

Aychitrane.

As touching the architrage, freize, and cornish (insomuch as Vitruvius maketh mention but only of the Mutuli or corbels, which belong alwel to al other orders as to this) I meane to follow the directio of Baltha far: who first deuideth the columne with his base & capitel into 4 parts, whereof one maketh the architraue, freize & cornish: this fourth parte he subdenideth into 10, wher of 3, give the architrane V, which is likewise devided like that of the Jonicke, saue vnder the fascia he placeth an astragalus, containing an eighth part of fascia, and under the upper fascia another astragalus, containing likewise an eighth part of the same fascia, the other three parts are allowed for the freize W, and the other 4 for the cornish X, which must bee deuided into nine, whereof one giveth cymatium above the freize, and two echinus with his fquare, the other two the mutule with their cymatium rever (: the other two make the cornish, & the last 2 sima recta with his cymatium, which is a fourth part thereof. And if you will make the cornish without mutuli it must be done thus. * First the architraue V, is halfe a diameter, & the freize W(because it is garnished) is a fourth part bigger then the architrage. The eornish X, without the cymatium of the freize is as high as the architrage, so that the height of the whole is lessethen a fift part of the length of the cole which must be wrought with flutings or gutters like the order of the Ionick; which flutings must be filled up with aftragali from the 3 part downewards.

"It is this which is drawne.

Pedestall.

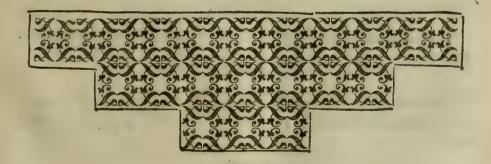
The breadth of the *Pedestall* is a smuch as *Plinthus*; deuide this breadth into three partes, whereunto adde two of the same bignesse, and it giveth you the height of the *Pedestall* without the *Cornish*, which is a proportion called *supra bipartiens*. His cornish is thus made: the height of the plaine of the *Pedestall* is deuided into seven partes, whereto adde two, and one maketh the base, and another the *Cornish*, whence arise nine partes answerable to the nine of the columne.

Now although this bee the generall order of the Corinthian, yet notwithstanding the partes thereof may be varied, as uppon occasion the ancient haue done; neither the partes alone, but even all the other proportions also; like as the whole order it selfe may bee altered according to the necessitie of the place where it is to stande. For the selfesame thing (as I have shewed before) may bee disposed of after one sorte on high, and after another below.



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OF THE PROPORTION OF

THE COMPOSITE.

CHAP. XXVIII.



He order of the Composite, called also the Latine and Italia worke from the Romanes, who were the first inventours thereof, hath his columne with the base and capitell tenne diameters high. The height of whose base is halfe a diameter, agreeing with the Corinthian base in all respectes.

Scapus.

The feapus is fluted like the Corinthian, and may also be guttered like the Ionicke.

Capitell.

His Capitell is like the Corinthian, with volut a bigger then the Corinthian an caulicole.

Architraue.

The architrane is asmuch in height as the thickenesse of the toppe of sca-

Freize.

The Freize where the mutuli are, is as high. The Cymatium of the mutiliss a fixte parte thereof; the projecture of the mutuli is as much as their height.

Corona.

Corona with his Cymatium is as high as the architraue; which being deuided into two partes one maketh Corona, and the other his Cymatium, his Proiecture is asmuch as his height.

Pede, tall

Basis.

Pedestall.

The height of the Pedestall is twice his breadth: (meaning the plaine fourre) which being denided into eight partes, adde one for the base; and another for the cornish. And so is this Pedestallalso correspondent to

the columne, confisting of tenne partes.

And this is the generall proportion of this order: therefore called Composta, because it is compounded of all the other orders. And is diversly to be garrished with fundry limmes and members of living creatures, and fillets, as is to be seene at Rome (amongst many other things) in Transfevero, in a Capitell composed of the Doricke, Ionicke, and Corinthian; whose abacus and Cymatium was Doricke, his voluta and flutings Ionicke, his astragali and leaves Corinthian. His base likewise much beautisted with a double torus Doricke: his two fcotia, and aftragali with other curious worke, Corinthian. Againe, in Basilica del foro transitorio, we finde a Capitell bearing insteede of caulicule an horse with winges made of leaves; and all his other partes from the shoulders backewardes suteable, which sheweth it to bee compound; besides many other varieties to be found in this order: Wherein Albert Durer hath shewed himselfe most conceited, in his prince of the gate of Honor, which is harde to be gotten.

The diminishing of scapus.

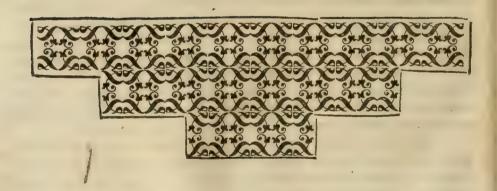
The generall rule of diminishing each order (which may be taken from Seethis in the Tuscane, whose toppe is lessened a fourth part) is, as followeth. Deuide the table le the scapus into three equal partes, let the whole thirde part which is lowermost remaine levell. Devide the other two partes into foure equall partes by transverse lines 1,2,3,4; then upon the line of the lowermost thirde parte drawe a semicircle, thither let downe a perpendicular on each side from the extremities of the Capitell; then measure on either side inwardes an eighth part, which in the whole will make a fourth parte of the breadth; vnto this eighth part let downe two perpendiculars from the lowermost square of the Capitel; then devide the nethermost part of the semicircle into 4 equal parts by foure crosse lines marked 1,2,3,4: then let downe a line from the lower fquare of the Capitell marked with 1, vnto the line 1, in the semicircle; then from the crosse line 2, let downe another to the line 2, below, and so forwardes from 3, to 3, and from 4 to 4. this doe on both sides, and so have you the perfect diminishing of your scapus. Which rule, according to Petruccius, serueth for all the rest, though Vigniola alloweth it only for the Tuscane and Doricke; which shooting up higher is diminished a fift part.

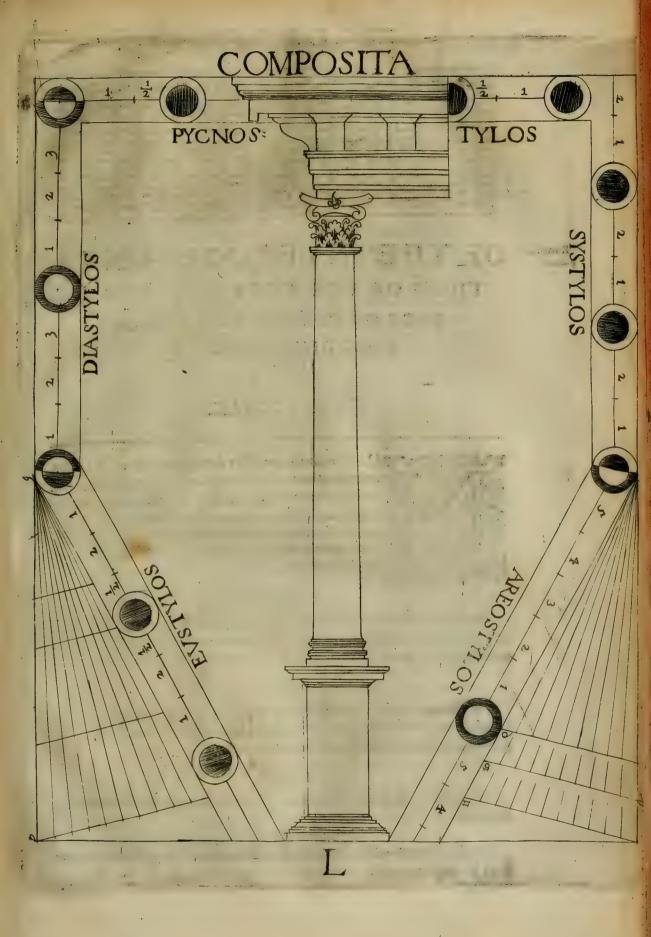
But to let this passe, the Ionicke is diminished from fifteene foote downe- Note. wardes, a fixt part in the toppe of feapus: and if any more (which seldome fallethout) it is to be done according to the proportion of this (as Vitruv: writeth.) The Corinth: is diminished from sixteene soote downewardes a fixt part. The Composite from the middest of the scapus, betweene the bottome of Plinthus and the toppe of scapus vpwardes, is carefully to be diminished asmuch as the projecture of torus at the top of scapus; whose quantitie is to be taken without his projecture, as much as the height of the square;

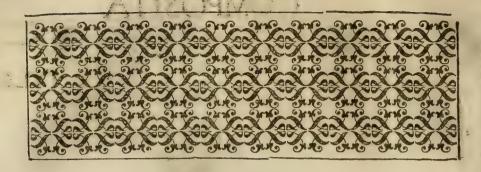
as is faide in the Corinth: order.

Howbeit, if any man list to diminish them otherwise, hee may, so hee swarue not too much from this rule. For in this we have more liberty then in any of the rest; as may appeare in the Flutings, as diverse have taught. And because the columnes are made to swell out more about their thirde part, then at the bottome of scapus; but especially the Corinthian and Ionicke, Vigniola hath taught a most ready way for the making of them, in the last of his orders, as an invention of his owne; where hee also sheweth howe to make wreathed columnes after the manner of those in Salomons Temple.









*Rowes of pillars.

OF THE INTERCOLVMNEA.

TIONS OF THE COLVMNES IN RES-

PECT OF THEMSELVES, AND OF THEIR DIMENTIONS, AND

ASPECTES.

CHAP. XXIX.



Ovv we are to consider the proportions of the intercolumneations, which in some Temples are narrowe,
and in others wide, according to their divers appearances expressing various effects of sweetnesse, beauty, statelinesse and maiesty; in regarde whereof, together with their proportions, Vitruvius hath distinguished them into 5 kindes.

Pycnostylos.

The first is called *Pyenostylos*, whose pillars are set thicke together, with narrowe spaces betweene them, being distant from each other once, or (at the most) once and an halfe, the thicknesse or diameter of the columne.

Systylos.

The second is called Systylos, having his pillars distant one from an other a diameters, or 2 and an halfe at the most; whose plinthi in respect of that space, are as much as the space betweene 2 plinthi.

Diastylos.

The third is Diastylos, where the distance betweene the columnes is 3 diameters.

Areostylos.

The fourth is Areostylos, whose pillars stande too farre a sunder, namely 4, 5, or 6 diameters.

Eustylos,

Eustylos.

The fifth and last is Eustylos, seruing as well for vie as beauty, and is the fairest and safest of all the rest; because the space betweene the columnes is 2 diameters and one fourth part: Now the middle intercolum: , as well in the fronte as behinde, shall containe 3 diameters, and so (according to Vitravius) it will haue, not only a pleasant prospect, but also a commodious entrance without all hindrance, with a large walke &c. Take this then for a Agenerall

generall rule.

If the fronte of the place be 4 columnes broade, you shall divide it into eleven parts and an halfe, excepting the margents and projectures of the bales; If of 6, into 18: If of 8, into 24 and an halfe: and of these partes, let the place of 4, of 6, and of 8 columnes be in the fronte: take one and that Thall be the modell of the thicknesse of the columne: and each intercolumneation except the middlemost, shall be 2 models and one fourth; the middlemost intercolum: as well before as behinde, shalbe 3 models: the height of the columnes 8 and an halfe: by which division the spaces will proone most proportionable.

But in Areostylos the columnes are otherwise raised: for their breadth is an eighth part of the height. In Diastylos the height is 8 and one 2; in Siftylos 9 and a 2: In Pycnostylos 10: and in Eustylos like as in Sistylos 9 and a 2; whereof one part makes the diameter at the bottome of the scapus. And thus by part you may conceaue of the whole reason and method of the intercol: for as they increase in proportion, so they must be augmented by

their diameters.

For (as Vitruvius teacheth) in Areostylos, where the intercolum: is very large, if the diameter thall be the ninth or tenth part of the height, the columne being to thinne, will appeare flender and weake; which will not fall out in the narrowe intercol: of Pycnostylos, whose columnes standing thicker may be made higher. Wherefore, we must have a care so to proportion these workes, that we prouide both for the beauty and commodiousnesse thereof. Whereunto we may be sure they have respect, who (in such workes as have square intercol:) vie to place very large Pelasters of rust ique worke; and in thole of a sesquialter proportion or the like, the strongest Tuscane columns; in the narrower, Dorickes; and in the narrowest Corinth: Wherefore, it is generally to be observed that where the spaces be largest, there are the biggest columnes required, and where narrowest, the siende- Note. rest: and consequently neither Corenthians in the largest roomes, nor Tufcanes in the narrowest, are to be admitted. All which is to be understood, not only of all proportionable columnes, but also of all other supporters, as pilasters, termini, balausti, longe mutuli, or corbels, &c.

Farthermore it is to be noted, that each columne is to be diminished according to his height in respect of the eie; saving when he riseth so high,

that his owne distance diminisheth him sufficiently.

Againe, the subtile Vitruvius teacheth vs, that if the columne be 15 foote, we must divide the diameter of the base into 6 parts, whereof the

toppe of the col: vnder apophigis shall have 5; if from 15 to 20 soote, the base must be divided into 6 parts and one 2, whereof the toppe must have 5 and one 2: if from 20 to 30, then the base of scapus shall have one seventh part more then the toppe: if from 30 to 40, then the base being divided into 7 and one 2, the top shall have 6 and a 2; if from 40 to 50 soote it shalbe lesse in proportion, viz: the base not above an eighth part bigger then the toppe. So that it is to be diminished by degrees to halfe the bignesse of the first. And this is the true and exact proportion of the intercolumneations, in respect of their columnes, and between themselves, together with their height and diminishings.

Now because all buildings, pallaces, and temples ought to be proportioned and beautified, as well in their inward partes as without, (after the example whereof all other houses of rich or poore are to be ordered:) therfore it is not seemely that a building should be well garnished without, and rude within, or of one order without and another within: by which meanes the proportions of the parts, distances, porches & windowes would prooue valuable. For better understanding whereof, we must note that the olde Grecians made 7 principall as peets, which they named from the excesse or defect of the columnes; to the ende that according to the proportion of

them, the rest might be built.

Anta.

The first (according to Vieru:) they called Anta, as you would say the fronte in the pilasters. Where the small pilasters are made in the corners, which are also from their owne name called Anta, and square counterforts, betweene which in the middest, 2 columnes stand out forwardes, vp. on which the frontispicium lies.

Prostylos.

The second they called Prostylos, as it were the face of the columnes: it hath all things which the former hath, and moreover 2 columnes over against the pilasters at the corners, vpon which lieth the frontispicium: and this as pett is the first addition to the foresaid single one, meaning only foreright.

Amphiprostylos.

The third is Amphiprostylos, because in it there is added to the second the hinder part together with the columnes and frontispicium, as you would say 2 heads and 2 frontes of columnes.

Peripteros.

Alate. The fourth is Peripteros; that is * Iled and invironed about with columnation having before and behinde 6 columns: and on either fide 11 reckoning the corner pillars, all which are so placed, that there is rounde about as much space betweene the col: and the wall, as is betwixt each columne; so that a man may walke round about the Celle.

Pseudon

Pseudodipteros.

The fifth is P feudodipteros, that is a deceiptfull appearance of 2 orders of col: which are so placed, that both in the fronte and behinde, there bee 8 columnes; and on each side, with the corner pillars 15. But the wals of the fronte and hinder parte of the tell are opposite to the 4 middle pillars: and so the space betweene the wall round about, and the vetermost order of col: is 2 intercol: and the breadth of the seete of the columnes.

Dipteros.

The fixth is Dipteros, having 2 orders of col: round about, making as it were a double porche: it hath before and behinde 8 columnes, but on the fides round about to the cell or temple, 2 orders as is faid.

Hypathros.

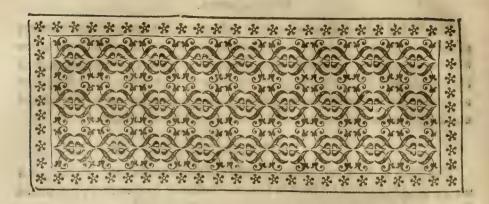
The seventh is Hypathros, that is vncouered to the aire, having 10 columnes in the fronte: in the rest it is like Dipteros: but within it hath a double order of columnes in height removued from the wals about, like the porche of cloysters called peristily, his middle part is open at the top, having dores to go in both before and behinde.

And in this fort haue the ancient Grecian Architectes, together with Hermogenes, * Mnestus and divers others, invented and ordered the proportionable agreement and admirable harmony of the partes of mans body, both in respect of each other, and of the whole; without which it is impossible to make any thing of worth. VV hereas therefore every one of vs carrieth about him amodell of these proportions, let vs not thinke the time lost, which is spent in learning how to know our selves.

• Whether thu be an Architects name or no it is not evident. Philander upon the place in the third of Vitruu: cap. 1. giveth this note. The place is: Es Apollinis Amnesta satta, certaine printed coppies have a Manesche: a Manuscript at Bononia, hath a Mneste: and so I sinde in one printed at Venice 1511. The Ital: coppie with Dan: Barb: Com: bath da Mneste, whom it seemesh my ameter sollowed: but with Philander, I finde mo certainty.

HOW





HOWETHEMEASVRESOF SHIPS, TEMPLES AND OTHER THINGS WERE FIRST DRAWNE FROM THE IML

TATION OF MANS BODIE

CHAP. XXX.

From the Shoulder to the wrift. barne in the proportion of 9 faces or handes.

e The groffe

finger (cemesh so be a mea-

Inre of 2 inches.

d A Pase is

consisting of a

foose and one

OREOVER from the proportion of mans body (the most absolute of all Gods creatures) is that measure taken which is called Brachium, wherewith all things are most exactly measured, being drawne from the fimilitude of a mans a Arme; which is the b third part of his length and breadth, and the arme containeth 3 hands or ipans.

There are also 2 other kindes of measures in mans

body wfed by the Geographers, the one a Foote, and the other a Pafe, drawne likewise from the soote and pase of a man. These were first invented to measure the earth withall; because it was troublesome to bowe downe the arme in measuring thereof. This pase was divided into 12 parts; for fixe e groffe fingers make a foote, and 2 feete a pase: each d pase containeth 12 fingers or groffe inches, which may farther bee subdivided by seconds. thirds, fourths or more or leffe, as occasion shall serue.

Againe, from man the ancient tooke that measure, which they commoneither ordinary ly cal a Palme wherwith they measured al things; which measure consisteth of 3 leffer palmes containing 4 fingers a piece making 12 in the whole.

2 : or geometricall of five feese. Both of these are too bigge. There is Gradus which I english a Steppe, containing two foote, which maie bea means heere. "There was a greaser Palme consaining twelve fingers, and a lester soure: This is the greater, much used of she Fralians. See Serlina.

Nowe

Now because (according to Vitruvius) 4 palmes in a man make a foote, they also made a foote to confift of so many palmes; so that 16 fingers made 4 palmes.

Farthermore, a Cubite being in a se squialter proportion to a foote, is 6

palmes or 24 fingers, and every finger is divided into 4 minutes.

From the head which is the eighth part of a man they tooke a Mile, containing 8 * Stadia, wherewith the whole world is measured, together with * Furlonges. the magnitude and distance betwixt vs and each starre.

A Stadium comprehendeth 125 pases; each * pase 5 foote: So that a mile * Geometri-

is 1000 pases: 5000 feete: 20000 palmes: 80000 fingers.

A measure is a finite longitude which measureth the vnknowne distance of places, with a sensible experiment, whose vulgar

I haue thought good for perspicuity fake, to infert this note of Appian.

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quantities are thefe.
Graine.
Finger.
                                   4 Graines.
Inche.
                                   3 Fingers.
Palme.
                                   4 Fingers.
Dichas.
                                   2 Palmes.
Spanne.
                     Containing 3 2 Palmes.
                                   4 Palmes.
Foote.
Foote & an halfe.
                                   6 Palmes.
Steppe.
                                   2 Feete.
Pase simple.
                                   2 foote and a halfe:
Pasegeometricall.
                                   5 Feete.
Cubite.
                                   6 Palmes.
Perche.
                                   io Feete.
Furlong.
                                   125 Pases.
Leuga.
                                   1500 Pases.
                                   1000 Pases.
Mile Italian. 2 ning.

Mile Germane. Common
Mile Italian.
                                    8 Stadia or furlongs.
                                   5000 Pases.
                                   4000 Pases.
                                   32 Stadia or furlongs.
                    Shippes &c.
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Now Shippes, Barkes, Gallies &c: were after the refemblance of the Arke, taken from the proportion of mans body:according to the similitude wherof, God (who as we reade) in his excellent wisedome framed the world, heaping all the perfections thereof in farre greater aboundance vpon man, in fuch forte, that the one is called the greater world, and the other the lesser) taught Noah to builde the Arke. Whereupon they which measured this lesser world, distinguished it into 6 feete, deviding each foote into ten degrees, and every degree into five min: all which amount to 60 degr: or 300. minutes. Now vnto each minute they made that kinde of Cubite answere, The greater by which Moses measured the Arke. For as mans body consisteth of geometricall. three hundred minutes in length, fiftie in breadth, and thirtie in thicknesse:

So was the Arke 300 Cubites long, 50 broade, and thirty thicke or high. By this rule the Grecians afterwardes framed their stately Argo navis: The vie whereof proceeded so farre, that they resting not contented with these proportions, deuised to imbosse them outwardes with mens heades much greater then the life; and other strange antickes, representing the eighth parte of their length, at the poupe caruing certaine wreathings of tayles, and the latter partes of feete, which shewed where these counterfet bodies ended; working on the sides mighty armes, set foorth with diverse kindes of imagery. Neither did this satisfie them, for by degrees they grew to make their shippes in the formes of other living creatures, after the same order; with the heades of Lions, Eagles, &c. Whereof who so desireth to see more, may peruse the histories of the Agyptians, Grecians, and Romanes: where he shall finde their exceeding great maiestie: as Cleopatras guilded shippe with filuer rudders: and of C: Caligulaes made of Ivery and golde, whose crosse yardes were also wroughte with Ivory and golde, having failes of filke and golde wouen togither; with cables and all other tacklings sutable; which heere I omit, hastning to the Temples, taken in like fort from the forme of mans body.

Round Temples.

Aman Streach. sting abroad his legges so farre, that his whole center Vitru.l.3.c. I.

disson.

First then from the rounde and circular forme of mans body, was the first armes sowardes patterne of the round-floored Temples taken, whose height was raised achis head, and ca. cording to their diameter. After this forme is the rounde temple called Pantheon in Rome, builte by M: Agrippa: which within is deuided in the middle at the place of the diameter or center; so that the vault from thence whole body may vpwards is a perfect lemicircle. Bacchus his temple in Rome, was in like mawithin a circle, ner taken from this rounde fashion, the height of whose roofe is double to the diameter of the floore thereof. There is yet to be seene at Tybur vpon is the Navile. the river of Anien an ancient Temple sacred to the goddesse Vesta, which also carrieth this circular proportion; being equally raised up from the foundation or floore, both within and without, bearing a fesquialter proportion in height.

Square Temples.

Other ancient Architectes invented square temples; whence Ianus Temple nowe in Foro Boario is square; as also diverse other buildings without See Seb. Serlius Rome; namely that admirable square Porch of 100 columnes builte by the lib.3. de antiq: Grecians, vnto the top whereof you may ascende by staires in the corners; for the Las : Ewhence our late workmen taking a patterne, have observed the same square forme in their plat-formes, as may be seene in Poggioreale at Naples.

Besides, from the sesquialter proportion which is sounde in mans body betweene the throat-pit and the privities, and from thence to the breast, antiquity did most ingeniously borrow, that other forme of the temple of Peace in Rome, where that great marble columne is also to be seene; the like is

to be thought of the temple of Pietie.

Arches

Arches.

Now as touching the Arches, some of the ancient have likewise drawne their plat-forme from the trunke of mans body (which is althat space which lieth betweene the throat-pit and the prinities) the thickenesse whereof is just a thirde part, adding moreouer hereunto the space betwixte the throatpit and the nose, with the same thickenesse, as may appeare in the arches of Titus, Septimius, Traiane, Constantine and diverse others; which are of a fesquialter proportion, and of a double, that is, foure sesquialters in breadth, being fixe in all.

Againe, from the proportion of a foote was the forme of diverse other rare buildings taken, as (among it other ancient workes) may be gathered by the Porte or haven of Ostia....

Theaters.

Moreover, from the ichnographie of a mans head; from the bendinges of his handes, which make two manner of Ouale figures; from the line paffing downe from the throat-pitto the privities, and from the diameter of the body in the middle, vnto that which maketh an other ouale, tooke the ancient the fashion of their Theaters: as we may plainely perceiue in Colosseo Titi, in It is that Theatro Pola in Dalmatia in Arena Verona, and in the Cortile of Bacchus his which Vitte temple: After whose example, our late workemen learned to describe their callect cave dium: Dan: ouale, shorter and longer temples; as also their circular, pentagonian, Barbarus tahexagonian, octagonian, square, and crosse ones: patternes of all which we keth it for a may see in the fifte booke of Serlius, delineated by Balthasar Petruc-trium, an open Courte. cius.

Crose temples.

But infomuch as there is no certaine rule set downe, for the making of Temples in forme of a Croffe (which is a Dutch invention, and was much vsed by Bramante, as appeareth by his ichnographie of Saint Peters church at Rome; and that of Saint Satyrus in Milane done by his sonne) I judge that to be the fairest and most proportionable forme, which commeth nearest to the shape of mans body, who standing vpright on his feete, representeth the ful height of the church (I meane by a perpendic: from the vault or roofe to the floore, where his feete stand, from which point of the feete being the middle of the vault, vnto the great gate at the west ende, it woulde. bee extended square wise so much more, viz: the length of a man, as if hee were streatched forth vppon the grounde. Nowe this breadth reaching forwardes to the greate gate, is equall to the breadth of the roofe, which aboue at the beginning of the arching, representeth the Clavicola of a mans body, which because they containe two of those tenne see chap. s. faces which are in the length of a man, it followerh that the roofe of the

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Church, with his lanthorne and the flower, should contain a fine diameters of the roofe or vault; which in the whole make tenne faces. The space likewise of the walke or body, from the gate to the perpendicular in the middest of the roose, and the Iles being proportionable both at the flowre and the roofe; as also the Quire or Chauncel, ought (by the forelaid reason) to beare the same breadth.

The length of each lle, & the Quire (refembling a man streatching abroad his armes) ought to be from the perpendicular of the roofe or center in the flower vnto their farthest ende, flue faces, that is, two diameters & an halfe of the breadth of the roofe or flower; so that the heighth of the roofe and walke in each of these carrying a double proportion, agree in a diapa (on concorde, as in mans body their length and breadth to their halfe.

The Quire (being as it were added to the forme of the letter T, in the middestwhereof is the inscription of the name of Christ, representing the altar) I take it ought to be as much as either of the Iles: wherefore if you make a * Ger the pia: perfect * Iquare a, b, c, d: betweene the extremities of the two iles and the quire, the three corners 2,b,c: will touch their vtmost lines, and the fourth d, being extended to the middle of the walke or body, the spaces betweene corner and corner will answere to the rest of the walke in a double proportion, agreeable to the symmetry of a man. So that both the iles being joined to the Quire & the Body or walke of the church, represent the perfect forme of a Crosse: now if you meane to adde walkes on either side of the middewalke, each of them must be just the halfe diameter of the mid walke, which will relemble a perfect man in height placed * transverse; as the mid-walke doth, * adverse: and thus having due regard vnto ai the other ravings proportion; bly, out of all doubt the Church will beare the perfect thape of a Crosse &c.

Sidelong. Foreright,

Obelisces.

But now omitting these matters, togither with the Termes, Conduites, Gates, Towers, Engines of warre &c I come to the Obelifces, which antiquitie composed of 7, 8, and 9 heades in imitation of mans body, shewing alwaies by the diversitie of proportion betweene the foote and the heade, the flendernesse of the toppe and the largenesse of the base; sometimes by a sesquialter proportion, sometimes by a double &c: as may appeare by the Obelifces at Rome, especially that before Saint Peters church, where Cafars athes are referued.

Pyramides.

The Pyramides likewise were made after diverle formes: for the square fides being taken from a perfect square, some of them were made double to their base, and some more, according to the proportions observed by the learned; especially the Ægyptians.

Echinior Ovale Vestels, &c.

Besides the order of Echini, all sortes of Vessels, musicall instrumentes, elpecipecially the Lute, with fundry partes of the orders of Archite Eture, the fol. Instrumentes dings of leaves &c: are all drawne from a circular forme, after fundry proportions, whose harmonicall correspondencie worketh most powerfully in beautifull things.

Organes.

Organ-pipes in like manner, which rife by notes and degrees one higher then an other, according to their severall stoppes, have their originall from mans body, vnto which all our other workes ought to be referred.

Engines.

WVarre-like engines also for better securitie & desence, are made in sorme of a sesquialter square, and the like, as were the phalanges of olde.

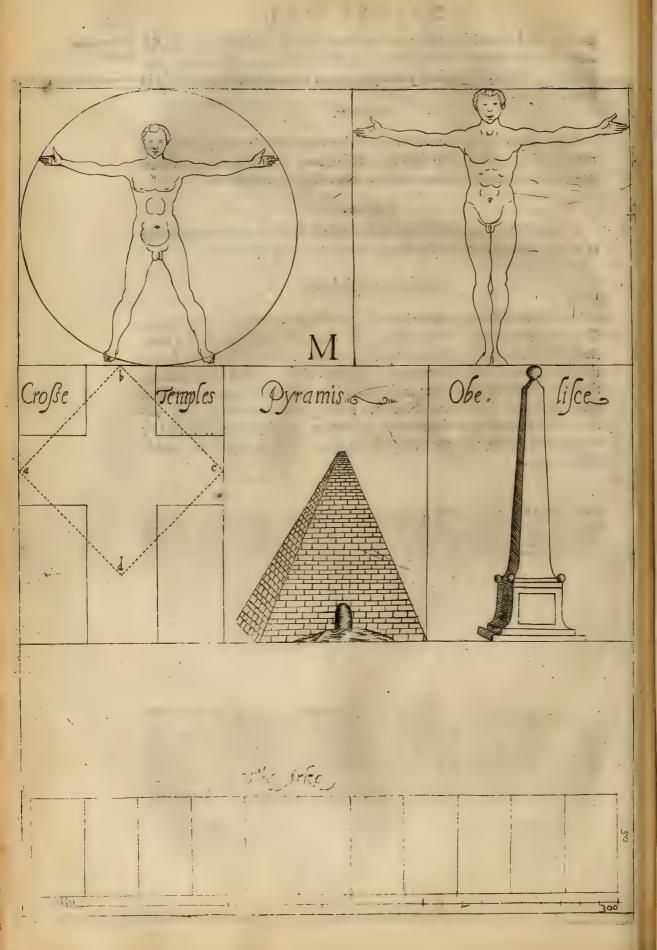
Stylobat a, Pedestals, bases.

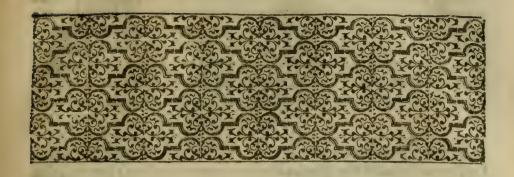
Finally, the flylobat a, pedestalls, and bases of each order of columnes, were first taken from hence. Wherefore to the shortest order they give a pede-Stall of the first proportion, viz: a square, to the seconde and slenderer, some times a diagonall, and sometimes a sesquialter: to the thirde a sesquialter; to the fourth a suprabipartient; and to the fifte a double proportion: which proportions are also observed in arches, walles gates, loope-holes, and windowes &c: according to their orders, natures, and proportions, collected by the ancient, from the apte composition of a goodly and proportionable mans body.



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VVHENCE ALL PROPOR-TIONS DOE ARISE.

CHAP. XXIX.



HE Grecians in imitation of antiquitie searched out the truely renowned proportion, wherein the exact perfection of most exquisite beauty and sweetenesse appeareth; dedicating the same in a triangular glasse vnto Venus the Goddesse of divine beauty, from whence all the beauty of inferiour things is derived. Howbeit I omitting that glasse, will demonstrate it in an Isopleuros triangle, which consisting of a pirami-

dall forme hath 2 fides equall, and the third which is the base vnequall, as appeareth in the figure, L.

io Faces.

Divide the shortest line a representing the base of the Pyramis into to equall partes, by eleven lines equidistantly drawne to the cone or eie of the pyramis. First then upon the line a noting 10 faces, you shall take the breadth of the womans proportion mentioned before cap. 12. which is also divided into so many parts, following the same proportionably in all the said faces both before and behinde, side-long and backwards together with the armes, observing in the breadth of each member the turnings and bendings which done will cause a correspondencie before, behinde, or sidelong, being drawne from hence upon an other paper, & this is the true and most exact beautifull forme.

9 Paces.

Now if you would have an other shorter proportion, draw another line like that of 10 faces necret to the eie; which line shall reach from the side.

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line aboue to that below: divide this line into nine equall parts, by to lines drawne likewise to the cie b: vpon this shall you measure the breadth of the parts like to the former, which picture by this meanes will become shorter and thicker, and so shall you go forwards in the adverse, averse, and transverse pictures vpon another paper, keeping this order. By this rule you may also make figures of 8 or 7 heads, keeping still the same breadth of the principall; you may also make them of 8 and one 2, or 9 and one 2, as you please.

II Faces.

If you would make a woman of 11 or 12 faces long, drawe the fide-lines farther out from the eie, then let downe a perpendicular 11 like vnto that of 10, divide that into 11 equal parts by 12 lines, and hereupon place your due breadths as before; which done, you shall have most delicate and beau-

tifull women.

The like order is to be observed in men, for from thence are all kinde of proport: derived: (yea that most admirable proportion of Hercules done by M. Angelo.) This causeth those figures which are very small in draught, to seeme notwithstanding very bigge to the eie of the beholder. Which point, questionlesse, belongeth to a Painter whensoever he purposeth to make large bodies, with raised shoulders, and slancks, long armes, handes and thighes, or with small heads and feete, as may be seene in the pictures of Hercules in the Pallace of Campo di Fiore in Rome, done by some of the ancient Masters, who, out of doubt, were acquainted with this secret, insomuch as they have so exceedingly well expressed all proportions.

Note farther, that vpon the foresaid line of 10 faces, you may make a woman of 11 or 12 faces; and so likewise a man, so that the side-long soote of a long Hercules, ought to be the twelfth part of the length of the man.

You may also make Children of 4,5,0r 6 heads, vpon the like perpendicular line (as is said) ever observing the diversity of their proportions: the like is to be done in all disproportionable formes of bodies, as also in Horses, which may be also drawne vpon the same line, either adverse, averse, or transverse, by augmenting or contracting their proportions, according to the quantity of the parts of their bodies, signed in the first line.

Wherfore, when you would make a lanke, slender, and swift horse, you shall draw him upon the outward-most line: which you must euer haue drawne on another paper by, leaving your triangle with all his lines per-

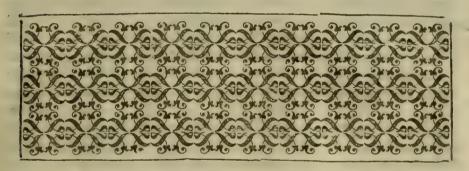
fect.

Columnes.

By this rule you may proceede in making your orders of Columnes, namely placing your Composite of eleven diameters, in the vetermost line from the eie, and drawing lines likewise from the pointes to the eie; Then let downe an other perpendicular line neare to the eie, which shall be divided into 10 parts, which serveth for the Corinthian, which must be signed with the breadths of the Composite; and thus proceeding, you shall make the society of 9 parts; the Dorick of 8; and the Tuscane of 7; or more or lesse, according to the discretion of the workeman.

Mote,

Now if any man be desirous to learne the most exact and smallest partes of these proportions, together with the way how to transferre them from one body to an other, I referre him to the workes of Le: Vincent, Bramante, Vincentius Foppa, Barnard Zenale: and for prints to Albert Durer, Hispill Peum &c. And out of mine owne workes he may gather, that I have endenored, if not performed these proportions, done according to these rules; which all the best and famous painters of our times have likewise observed: who have also attained to the exquisite propoportions of the 7 Planets. A. mongst whom Mi: Angelo hath merited the chiefest commendation: next him Raph: Vrbine was famous for making of delicate and Venereall bodies: Leon: Vincent for expressing of Solary bodies: Polidore Caldara of Caruagio, for Martiall bodies: Andreas Mantegna for Mercurialistes: Titianus Vecellino for Lunaryes: and Gaudentius Ferrato da Valdugia a Milaner, for Ionialistes.



OF THE POWER OF PROPOR-

TION, AND HOW BY IT THE TRVE BIGNESSE OF THE COLOSSI MAY BE SHEWED.

(HAP. XXXII.



ECAVSE it is vnpossible, that figures or statuaes should come to our cie in ther iust quantitie and bignesse (insomuch as they being proportionable doe The understand fend out their beames proportionably to the eie or ding of this paconus of the pyramis, interpoling there the line of in- geth to she 6,7, tersection; as if they were beheld through a glasse, so 8, and 9 chap. that the eie cannot comprehend fo long a Thape by of the 5 books

this pyramis, because at one instant it apprehendeth but one onely point or the smallest minute that can be imagined, disperfing

fing his beames to finde out the seuerall partes of the object successively, which the farther they bee distant from the eie, the more they loose of their proportion) therefore Arte hath invented a meanes how wee may come to the knowledge thereof by their proportions, which are so to bee measured, that they may be exactly seene. And because these proportions were so ordained by the great Painter of Nature it selfe, succeeding ages haue brought foorth certaine worthies, as 2\introde, Iupiter Belus! and Semiramis amongst the Babilonians; Amasis and Sesostris amongst the Agyptians, and diverse amongst the Gracians and Romanes, who tooke vpon them to extende the proportion of a man vnto a larger quantity, as may appeare by the Colosi, whose statures were raised as high as towers; which because we cannot beholde, but by casting our eies vp on high, therfore their heades will feeme very small in respect of their feete, as shall be shewed in the fixth booke, chapt: 18.

This proportion is hard to be conceased, expresed by lines, and belongesh to the 18 choof the fixth booke ; where, upon better adwisement (it may be) some delineation

Ball be added.

Wherefore for the better vnderstanding of their height and proportions, you shall draw vpon a paper a perfect 2 square; this you shall divide by two diametrall lines a, c and b, d. croffing each other, whence will arise but barder to be source equall squares : now in one of these squares you shall set a cube, and vpon that nine other cubes, which will make 10 in the whole, and this will be the just height of a proportionable man: then in the diameter of the base of the first cube, as it is, you shall marke out one of the 10 parts, all which shall be called a square figure: which figure thus described, may serue for a rule of the Colosus which you would make. So that if you would make a Coloss higher by 10 parts, you shal adde to the former square figure 10 parts more: And because the diameter of the figure is one of the tenne partes, and the base upon it inst asmuch, it will necessarily follow, if you set tenne other partes by those, and as many ypon the top of them, that (because the square in the bottome being but halfe filled vp, halfe the figure will remaine emptie, for the filling vp whereof you may adde fo many more partes as before) this Coloff, will increase 8 partes higher of the figure being double in height.

For the farther manifestation of that which is saide, when you woulde double a cube, if you fet one cube vpon another, you must needes put 60. thers in the faid square 2 by 2, which make the doubling of the cube, and so there will be 8 cubes by the doubling of the first: Now according vnto these rules and proportions (as shall be shewed both in a circle and in a square) you may increase and multiply all geometrical bodies regular or irregular.

Now for the finding out of the particular heightes and thickneffes of these Coloss: you shall take the foresaid square figure containing 10 partes or faces in height, and one diameter: this diameter you thall place in the middest of a geometricall circle, vppon the extreamities whereof, you shall make a perfect square, which shall touch the circle in source opposite places.

When you would double the diameter; first drawe a diagonall line from corner to corner, vnto this adde three other sides, and they make a perfect square, within which drawe a circle that may touch the foure sides, and so shall you have both a circle and a square doubled: whence the height of

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this diameter is increased ten partes, like vnto the square figure, which if you also make *according to the first figure, halfe the thicknesse and height *Oranswerathereof will remaine.

Now if you would make it foure times bigger then the first figure, draw a diagonal line in this second square, and vpon the same make a third square, casting likewise a circle within it as before, according to which rule you may proceede as farre as you please, in augmenting the quantitie of your Colosse: considering that the doubling of the foresaid diameter, is the chiefe ground of all this proceeding, increasing afterwardes in the square sigure. And by this rule may you make what soeuer diameters you liste, and by the same finde out how many natural sigures are contained in a Colosse.

But the commonest and most in practise, is done after the example of Neroes great Coloss: which was a 110 foot high: now 6 feete are the length of a man, so that this Colosse was 18 times the height of a man, and 2 foote ouer, which is one third part of a mans height: And here I meane presently to speake of the 18 lengthes of a man, reserving the two odde feete for an other place. If then you take the said square which is 10 faces high, with his diameter in the bottome, which is one tenth part making the just stature of a man, to make the Colosse 18 times the height of a man, you must put 18 heights of a man with their diameters in the bottome, or base of the square, and so shall you say 18 times 18, which make 324; and so many diameters will there be.

Now if in the bottome hereof, you take the saide 18 figures or length of a man, setting them vpright one vpon an other, and multiply them into 324 diameters by the 18 figures, they will make 5832; which amount to so many figures as are contained in the said Coloss.

Now concerning the two odde feete which make one third part of a mans height, you shall divide them into 18 partes, because there go so many mens lengthes to the height of a Coloss: and of each of these 18 partes there will arise one upon each figure, dividing one of those 18 partes into 10, to lengthen the 10 faces of the stature of a man: and thus augmenting it by degrees (as I have shewed before) each part of the Coloss: will be multiplied 110 foote.

And this rule may also serue to finde out the natural proportion of that mighty Colosse of gold, which N abuchadono sar caused to be made, of 70 cubites high, and 6 broad: For allowing 4 cubites to a mans length, it was 15 times the length of a man, which if we multiply by 15 in the base, there will arise 225 diameters, which make so many figures: againe if you multiply the said diameters by the 15 of the height, they make in all 3375 figures.

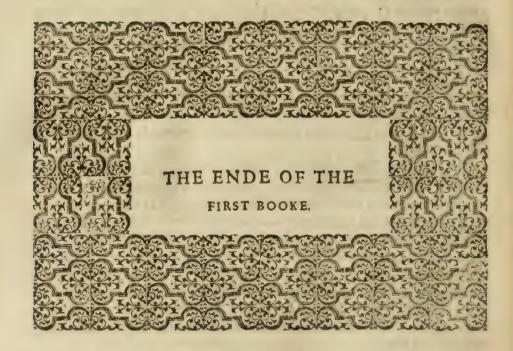
Finally, wee must be very carefull in giuing them their true and exact proportions (as hath beene shewed) alwaies working with threads fastned to the eie or center of the worke, vpon the wall or flat surface; as shall be shewed in my* practise

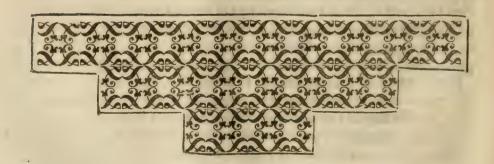
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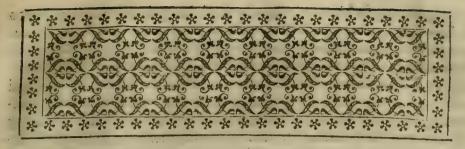
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SECOND BOOKE

OF THE ACTIONS, GESTVRES,

SITVATION, DECORVM, MOTION, SPIRIT, AND GRACE OF PICTURES, BY 10 · PAVLE LOMATIVS, OF MILANE.

Of the vertue and efficacie of Motion.

CHAP: I.



T is generally confessed of all men, that all such motions in pictures, as doe most neerely resemble the life, are exceeding pleasant; and contrariwise those which doe farthest dissent from the same, are voide of al gratious beauty; committing the like discord in Nature, which vntuned strings doe in an instrument. Neither doe these motions, thus lively imitating nature in pictures, breed only an eie-pleasing cotentment, but do

also performe the selfe same effects which the natural doe. For as he which laugheth, mourneth, or is otherwise affected, doth naturally moone the beholders to the selfe same passion of mirth or sorrow; (whence the Poet saith,

If thou in me would st true compassion breede, And from mine heavy eies wring flouds of teares: Then act thine inward griefes by word and deede

Vnto mine eies, as well as to mine eares:) So a picture artificially expressing the true natural motions, will (surely) procure laughter when it laugheth, pensiuenesse when it is grieued &c. And, that which is more, will cause the beholder to wonder, when it wondereth, to desire a beautiful

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young woman for his wife, when he feeth her painted naked: to have a fellow-feeling when it is afflicted; to have an appetite when he feeth it eating of dainties; to fal a fleepe at the fight of a sweete-fleeping picture; to be mooued and waxe furious when he beholdeth a battel most lively described; and to be stirred with disdaine and wrath, at the sight of shameful and dishonest actions. All which pointes are (in truth) worthy of no lesse admiration, then those Miracles of the ancient Musitians; who with the variety of their melodious harmony, were wont to stirre men up to wrath and indignation, loue, warres, honourable attemptes, and all other affections, as they litted: or those strange conclusions of the Mathematical motions, recorded of those vindoubted wise men, who made Statuaes to moone of their owne accord. As those of Dadalus, which (as Homer writeth) came to the battel of themselues. Or Vulcanes Tripodes mentioned by Aristotle: or those gilded servitors which walking vp and downe at the feast of larbas the Gymno sophist ferued at the table : or those ancient ones of Mercury in Aegypt, which spake, &c.

In which kinde of artificial motions Leonard Vincent of our time was very skilfull; who, (as his scholer Sig: Francesco Melzi the great Limner hath tolde me) invented a certaine conceited matter, whereof he vsed to make birdes that would slie in the aire: And on a time he made a most artificial Lyon, which being brought into a large Hall before Francis the first King of France of that name, after he had a while walked vp and downe, stoode still opening his breast, which was all sull of Lillies and other flowers of divers sortes. At which sight, the king and the other spectators were rapt with so great admiration, that they then easily beleeved, that Architas Tarentinus his woodden Dove slewe; That the brasen Diomedes, mentioned by Cassiodorus, did sound a trumpet; that a Serpent of the same mettall was heard to hisse; that certaine birdes sange; and that Albertus Magnus his brasen head spake to S. Tho: of Aquine; which he brake, because he thought it the Devil, wheras indeede it was a meere Mathematicall inven-

tion (as is most manifest.)

But to returne thither where I left: I am of opinion, that informuch as these motions are so potent in affecting our mindes, when they bee most artificially counterfaited, we ought for our bettering in the knowledge thereof, to propose vnto vs the example of Leonard Vincent, about all others: Of whome it is reported, that he would never expresse any action in a picture, before he had first carefully beheld the life, to the end he might come as neere the same, as was possible: wherunto afterwards joyning art, his pictures surpassed the life.

This Leonarde (as some of his friendes who lived in his time have given out) being desirous on a time to make a table, wherein hee would expresse certaine Clownes laughing: (although hee never perfected it more, then in the first drawght) he made choise of some clownes for his purpose, into whose acquaintance after he had insinuated himselfe, he invited them to a feast, amongest other of his friendes, and in the dinner while, he entred into a pleasant vaine, vettering such variety of odde merry conceites.

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ceites, that they fell into an exceeding laughter (though they knew not the reason hereof;) Leon: diligently observed all their gestures, togither with those ridiculous speaches, which wrought this impression in their mindes; and after they were departed, withdrew himselfe into his chamber, and there fet them downe so lively, that they mooved no lesse mirth in the be-

holders, then his iestes did in them at the banquet.

They adde moreover that he tooke speciall delight to behold the gestures of the condened, as they were led to execution, to the ende he might marke the contracting of their browes, the motions of their eies, and their whole body. In imitation whereof I holde it expedient for a painter, to delight in seeing those which fight at Cuffes, to observe the eies of privie murthe. rers, the courage of wraltlers, the actions of stage-plaiers, & the inticing. * al. * That hee lurementes of Curtesanes, to the ende he bee not to seeke in any particular; may paint them as detewherein the very life and soule of painting consisteth. Wherefore, I could stably, as their with almen carefully to keepe their braines waking: which whofoever thal actions are omit, his Invention (out of doubt) wil fleepe, studying perhappes tenne odious. veares about the action of one figure, which in the ende, will prooue nothing worth. Whence all famous Inventors, for the avoiding of fuch groffe defectes, have the rather shewed themselves subtile searchers out of the effectes of nature, being mooved thereunto by a speciall delight of often seeing, and continuall practizing that which they have preconceived. So that who so keepeth this order, shall vnawares attaine to such an habite of practize, in linely expressing all actions and gestures best fitting his purpose, that it will become an other Nature.

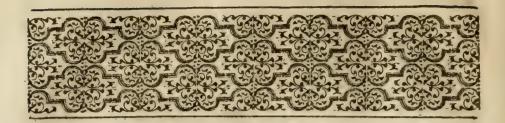
And whosoever shall diligently consider Cafar Sestius his admirable workes, wherein al the actions are most naturally appropriated to the subiect, wil easily conclude that he trod in Leon: steppes; and for this cause was he highly esteemed of Raphael Vrbine: vnto whom they say he was wont iestingly to say often, that it seemed a very strange thing unto him; Note: that they two being such necre friendes in the arte of Painting, yet spared not each other when they offended. A speach surely well beseeming honest men. albeit they lived togither in such sweete emulation: which humour, if it were to be found in these our daies, the world might bee reputed right happye. But now malicious envie (to our shrewd disadvantage) taketh place insteede thereof, ministring matter to ignorant and absurde people, infolently to differe and carpe at other mens rare perfections.

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OF THE NECESSITIE OF MOTION.

CHAP. II.



HE order of the place requireth, that I should consequently speake of Motion it selfe, namely with what arte the Painter ought to give motions best fitting his pictures: which is nothing else but a Correspondency to the nature of the proportion of the forme and matter thereof: And herein consistent the whole spirite and life of the Arte; which the Painters call sometimes the Fury, sometimes the Grace, & sometimes the Ex-

sellency of the arte. For hereby they expresse an evidet distinction betweene the living and the dead, the sierce and the gentle, the ignorant and the learned, the sad and the merrie; and (in a word) discover all the severall passions & gestures which mans bodie is able to performe: which heere we tearme by the name of motions, for the more significant expressing of the inward affections of the minde, by an outward and bodily Demonstration; that so by this meanes, mens inward motions and affections, may be aswell, (or rather better) signified; as by their speech: which is wrought by the proper operations of the bodie, performing sust as much, as is delivered vnto it from the reasonable soule, stirred vp either vnto good or bad, according to their private apprehensions.

Which thinges, while all good Painters propose to themselues, in their workes, they expresse such admirable secrets of Nature as we see; which being mooved by that stirring vertue, which continually lying hid in the harte, is outwardly shewed forth, in the body, by extending her branches through the exteriour members in such sorte, that they may also receive motion. Hence spring those admirable actions in pictures, which appeare as divers, as the passions whence they have their original are different: of

which point somewhat shalbe faide in this booke.

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Now the perfect knowledge of this motion, is (as hath beene thewed) accounted the most difficult part of the arte, and reputed as a divine gift: infomuch as herein alone confisteth the comparison betweene Painting and The comparis Poetrie. For as it is required in a Poet, that besides the excellencie of his son betweene witte, he should emoreover be furnished with a certaine propension and Painting and inclination of will, inciting and mooving him to verfifie, (which the ancient called the Furie of Apollo and the Muses.) So likewise a Painter ought, togither with those naturall partes which are required at his handes, to be furnished with a naturall dexteritie and inborne sleight of expressing the principall motions, even from his cradle. Otherwise it is a very harde (if not impossible) matter, to attaine vnto the absolute perfection of this arte.

The truth whereof, experience it selfe may teach vs; in somuch as Meere pladthere both have beene, and are, many excellent painters, who for their ding paineextraordinary skill in the arte, are most highly esteemed of all men, as being able to make sweete-coloured pictures, having their limmes and jointes in all pointes answerable to the rules of proportion, drawne from the Anatomie, and very painefully lightned and shaddowed: But because, notwithstanding all their care and industry in this behalfe, they could never be so happy, as to attain evnto this faculty, they have lefte their workes to the view, and harde censure of posteritie, only because they expressed unfurable and lame gestures in their pictures, which they had stolne out of other mens inventions; namely out of theirs, who were naturally indued with that grace, and perswading themselves, that these woulde very well serue their turnes, they imagined such actions and gestures in their owne pictures, as beeing vied belides the purpole, for which they were first invented, coulde not be approved for good, because they offended in diverse circumstances. Wherefore these vnfortunate painefull men (who notwithstanding in some other partes of the arte be sufficiently skilfull) although they can imitate the actions and gestures of other inventors, yet shall they never be able to make a commendable history, because they be naturally disfurnished of that inborne facilitie and inclination.

Nowe on the contrary parte, I denie not, but those who are furnished Onicke conwith naturall invention, may want that patience in their worke, which cented Painthe others have. Which property ariseth from the multitude of their ters. continuall inventions, and stirring apprehensions, in so much that before they canne throughly absolue any one body or action, infinite others arise in their fantasie; so that by reason of the great delighte they feele in their invention, they cannot have the patience to finish anie thing, they take in hand.

But the most absolute and complet painters (who are not so much incli- Staied and ned by nature, as perfected by arte) endeuour to choose out the best a- paincfull ctions for every purpose, in restraining the luxurious fury of nature, by Painters. that deliberate discretion, which they have in their Idea; by the benefite whereof, they absolue their pictures with delighte and contentment:

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alwaies expressing in each member, a certaine hidden resemblance of the principall motions. Wherefore these alone, carrie away the commendation of the profession; which is not granted to those surious Madcappes, by reason of their impaciency; nor yet vnto the former over-diligent plodders; because they have not the Naturall knowledge of these motions, and therefore cannot expresse them in their workes, as those naturall inventors will doe, with three or source stroakes. Wherefore they become inferiour: So that aswell the one, as the other must needes give place to the inventor, who wisely e ioyneth the industry of arte, with the gifte of Nature.

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Notwithstanding I am of opinion, that it is possible to attaine vnto this fo excellent a faculty, (though perhappes not with that speciall eminencie of naturall facilitie) by industrious study, in the knowledge of these motions, and the causes whence they proceede: for from hence a man may eafilie attaine to a certaine vnderstanding, which afterwards putting in practile, with patience, together with the other pointes, he may undoubtedly prooue a judicious inventor, who never had anie extraordinary naturall inclination. My meaning is, that such an inventor, as guideth himselfe by understanding, thall attaine unto better perfection, then the other, who is naturally indued with the dexteritie, without industry and patience. For example; if a man shall diligentlie peruse the whole history of Christ; out of doubt, he shall gather the true Idea and method, how hee ought to represent the motions of Christ, the Apostles, the Iewes, and all the rest. who had any part in that cruell Tragedy, so sufficiently; that the minde of the beholder shall be no lesse mooved to pittie, teares, and forrowe at the fight of the picture, then men are viuallie at the reading of the history: So that by this meanes he shall shewe in Iudas, violent, offensive, brutish, bufie and distempered motions, and in Christbeing full of patience, remisse, and gentle; representing in him, as in a glasse, that singular humilitie & patience, wherewith he reconciled vs to his father. All which, notwithstanding they may be sufficiently drawne out of the reading of the historie; yet for more ease sake, they may bee taken from the accidentall examples in the living, imitated with great felicity, and afterwardes industriously and artificially expressed, by causing the abundance of his diligence to appeare, in stirring up affections of pittie, and sorrowe (as in a table of the paf-(ion) or other affections, as the history he hath in hand, shall require.

Now concerning the way and maner how these actions are to be given, according to the diversitie of passions and affections, which at fundrie times, vppon severall occasions may moone mens mindes; I hope in this booke to shewe evident examples; although they be somewhat heard, & drawne from the secrets of naturall Philosophie. A thing, which might rather seeme to require a man of ripe yeeres, then so young a man as my selfe. Wherefore I must craue pardon, for breaking the boundes of Modestie, in untertaking the handling thereof, especially, since I was never iniouned thereunto, by the Painters; (although it be of so great use and importance.) Howbeit, if neither in that which hath binne already spoken,

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I have sufficiently laied open this point, nor hereafter shalbe able, to deliner the methode fully, which I promised: yet notwithstanding this my paines is not to be contemned, insomuch as it will (at the least) prepare an easie, free, & methodicall passage, for enery man to exercise his wit:which must needes prooue a most sure and ready way; insomuch as all the most famous painters, have beene directed thereby: who when they went about to counterfeit any story, first conceived the generall forme thereof, and then gaue to each figure his peculiar actions, proportioning, difpoling, and guiding them by discretion, accompanied with naturall facilitie.

Now amongst the worthy painters who excelled herein, Raph: Vrbine Note. was not the least; who performed his workes with a divine kinde of maiesty: neither was Polidore much behind him in his kinde; whole pictures feemed as it were passing furious; nor yet Andreas Mantegna, whose vaine, shewed a very laborious curiositie: nor yet Leonard Vincent, in whose doings there was never any error found in this point. Whereof amongst all other of his works, that admirable last supper of Christ in Refect: S. Maria de Gratia in Milane, maketh most evident proofe, in which he hath so lively expressed, the passions of the Apostles mindes in their countenances, and the rest of their body, that a man may boldly say; the truth was nothing superiour to his representation: and neede not be afraide, to reckon it amongst the best workes of Oyle-painting (of which kinde of painting John de Bru- The inventor ges was the first innentor.) For in those Apostles, you might distinctly per- of Oyle pain. ceine admiration, feare, griefe, suspition, loue, &c: all which were some. times to be seene together in one of them; and finally in Iudas a treasonplotting countenance, as it were the very true counterfeit of a Traitor. So that therein, he hath left a sufficient argument, of his rare perfection, in the true vinderstanding of the passions of the minde, exemplished outwardly in the bodie. Which because it is the most necessary part of painting, I purpole (as I say) to handle in this present booke.

I may not omit Mi: Angelo in any case; whose skill and painfulnesse in this point was so great, that his pictures carry with them more hard motions, expressed after an unusual maner, but all of them tending to a certaine bould stoutnesse. And as for Titian, he hath worthely purchased the name of a great painter, in this matter: as his pictures doe sufficiently witnesse: in each whereof, there shineth a certaine mooning vertue, seeming to incite the beholder, vnto the imitation thereof. Of whom this saying may well be verified: That he was beloued of the world, and enuited of

Nature.

Finally, mine olde Master Gaudentius (though he be not much knowne) was inferiour vnto fewe, in giuing the apt motions to the Saintes and Angels, who was not onely a very witty painter; (as I have elswhere shewed) but also a most profound Philosopher and Mathematician. Amongst all whose all-praise-worthy workes, (which are almost infinite, especially in this point of motion) there are divers mysteries of Christes passion, of his doing, but chiefely a Crucifix, called Mount Caluary at the Sepulcher of

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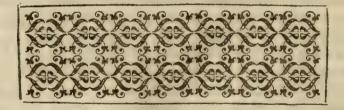
" Cleane rounde. Varallo; where he hath made admirable horses, and strange angels, not only in Painting, but also in Plasticke, of a kinde of earth, wrought most curiously with his owne hand * di tutto relievo; through all the figures.

Besides in the Vaulte of the Chappell of S. Mary de Gratia in Milane, he hath wrought most naturall angels, I meane especially for their actions: There is also that mighty Cube of S. Mary de Serono sull of thrones of angels, set out with actions and habites of all sortes, carying diversity of most strange instruments in their hands. I may not conceale that goodly Chappel, which he made in his latter time, in the Church of Peace in Milane, where you shall finde small histories of our Lady and Ioachime, shewing such super-excellent motions, that they seeme much to reviue and ani-

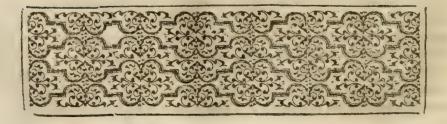
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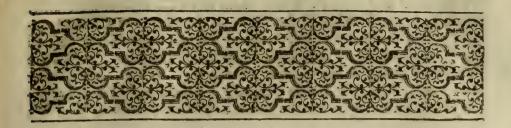
Moreouer the story of Saint Roccho done by him in Vercelli, with divers other workes in that Citty: Although indeede almost all Lombardy be adorned with his most rare workes. Whose common saying concerning this arte of motions I will not conceale; which was, That all painters delight to steale other mens inventions, but that he him selfe was in no great danger, of being detected of thest hereaster. Now this great painter, although in reason he might for his discretion, wisedome, and worth, be compared with the aboue named in the first booke, Cap. 29. yet notwithstanding, is he omitted by George Vasary, in his lives of the samous Painters, Carvers, and Architects. An argument (to say no worse of him) that he intended to eternize onely his owne Tuscanes. But I proceede to the vnsoulding of the original causes of these motions: And first, for our better vnderstanding, I will beginne with those passions of the minde, whereby the body is mooved, to the performance, of his particular effects.





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OF THE PASSIONS OF THE

MINDE, THEIR ORIGINALL AND DIFFERENCE.

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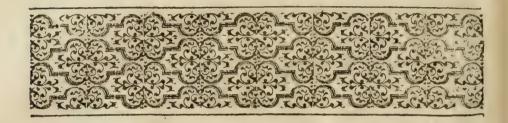
HE passions of the minde are nothing else but certaine motions, proceeding from the apprehension of some thing, Now this apprehension is three-folde: Sensitive, Rationall, and Atriple ay-Intellectuall. And from these three, there arise three pas- prehension. sions in the minde. For sometimes we follow sensitive ap-

prehensions, and then wee consider good and evill, under the shewe of that which is profitable or unprofitable, pleasant or offensive: and these are called Natural affections. Sometimes wee pursue rational apprehensions; confidering good and evill in maner of vertue or vice, praise or dispraise, honestie or deshonestie: and these are Reasonable affections. Sometimes we imbrace apprehensions intellectuall, regarding good and evill as true and

false, and these are Intellectuall apprehensions.

Now the inferiour powers of the minde are of two forces: either Defire, or Inger, and both of these respect that which seemeth good or bad diverslie: For the desiring part, either considereth good and bad absolutelie; concupiscibilities and so it causeth love or liking, and contrariwise hatred; or else it respects good as absent, whence ariseth desire or longing; or else evil as absent but at hand, and so it breedeth feare, dreade &c. or both of them as present, and to from the first commeth ioie and delighte, from the latter heavine (Te and griefe. The angry faculty considereth good and evill, as it is case or trascibilia. hard to be attained vnto, or avoided: whence springeth sometimes confidence and hope: sometimes audacitie, sometimes distrust, and so desperation, &c. Sometimes it is mooved to revenge, and that is in regarde of evill past, as iniurie or offence received, and so it breedeth anger. By that which hath hitherto beene spoken, it is evident, that there are

eleven passions or affections in the minde, which are these: Loue. Hatred, Desire, Feare, Ioy, Sorrowe, Hope, Despayre, Audacitie, Timorousnes and Anger. From which there doe consequentlie arise, fo manie fortes of actions in the Arte, as there may bee affections expressed in mens bodies. Wherefore wee ought carefullie to observe the motions which are outwardlie expressed; in such sorte, as they doe manifestlie pointe to the rootes whence they spring, and discover the causes from which they proceede, distributing them and dispo-fing them accordinglie in the bodies. Which whosoever shall faile in; shall (questionlesse) whollie pervert the order of thinges, confounding the beawty of Histories, whether they be fables, or other inventions, whith are to be painted.



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BY THE PASSIONS OF THE MINDE

CHAP. IIII.



T is a cleere case, that the minde (according to the diverse affections (whereof I spake before) by reason of the apprehensions both sensible and imaginative) dooth diverfly change and alter the bodie with fensible alterations, by varying the accidentes thereof, and producing fundry qualities in the members: So that in mirth, the spirites are inlarged, in feare they are contracted: in bashfulnesse they flie up to the braine.

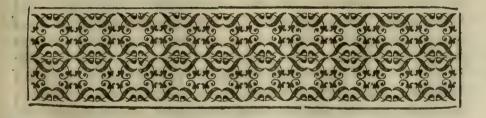
Againe in ioy the harte is extended by degrees; in difpleasure it is drawne in by little and little; as likewise in anger and feare. But sudden anger and defire of revenge procureth heate, blushing, bitter tast, and the fluxe of the bellie: feare bringes coldnesse, the panting of the hart, the fayling of the voice, and palenesse. Heavinesse causeth sweatting, and a blewish palenesse. Mercif ulnesse breedes a certaine heavinesse, which oftentimes

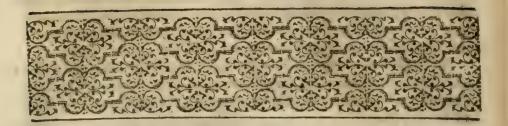
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hurreth him that is mooved to mercy, which appeares ordinarily in lovers, in whomethere is such a sympathie, that whatsoever one indureth, the orher likewise suffereth the same: Anxietie causeth drienesse and blacknesse. Desire and Love breede sundrie colours; sometimes red, sometimes pale, as

wee dayly fee in lovers, especially in their meetinges.

Now all these passions when they bee exceeding vehement, doe Observe, Sometimes bring death: which happened to Sophocles, and Diony sus the Sicilian tyrant, when he receaved the newes of a desperate victory. The like hath befalne diverse others, through heavinesse; and fundry other mishaps have proceeded from the like passions, when they assaulted mens minds. Wherof we have divers exaples in stories, which I meane not to stand your as being athing more curious then necessarie to our purpose. Onely I will thew, of what power and efficacie fierce wrath joyned with a magnanimious audacitie can doe, by the example of Alexander the great; who being overmatched by his enemies in India, was feene to reake forth from his bodie fier and light. The like whereof we read of the father of Theodoricus, who by the like vehement effect, breathed out of his heart, as from a burning furnace, fierie sparkels: which flying forth, shone and made a sound in the aire. After a sorte Thus when loever we represent all these passions in a storie, together with their convenient & proper motions, we fet forth that great variety, which worketh Inch delight & pleasure, that it allureth our mindes vnto it, with a sweete kind of compulsion, no otherwise then most delectable Musicke in- Compulsion chaunteth the eares of the hearers; which (as they write) is so forcible that way, that a certaine Musitian boasted, that by the powre of his notes, he caused men to growe furious, and afterwardes to come to themselues againe.





IN VVHAT KINDE OF BODIES

THE PASSIONS OF THE MINDE ARE MOST FORCIBLE.

CHAP. V.



LTHOVGH the forenamed passions of the minde take place generally in al men, by reason of those apprehensions which I have spoken of; yet we may not there-I fore imagine, that they are equally caused, and outwardly expressed in bodies, after one and the selfe same maner. For each of them doth so much the more moone and affect the body outwardly, by how much the fitter a body it findeth for that purpose. And as the

affections are divers, whence this variety of actions proceedeth, so likewise each particular body, being of a distinct temperature, must needes have severall operations, and confequently the passions manifest themselves so much the more, by how much the instrument whereby they worke, is of a

temper and constitution more sutable to the nature thereof.

The foure complexions.

For the better clearing of which point; we must understande, that every body is composed of the foure humors, which represent the foure elements; as Melancholie resembling the earth: sleame the water: Choler the fier: and bloud the aire. Now as each body shall more especially participate any of these foure humors, the actions and gestures thereof, must needes be more Melancholie precisely correspondent to that predominant quality. So that if the bodie bodies earthy be Melancholie, and therefore earthy, you shal perceive the actions thereof to be flow, heavie, and restrained; like unto the earth, which is sluggish, heavie and vnweildie: the confequents whereof are, anxietie, disquietnesse, sadnesse, stubbornesse &c. All which tende downewardes, and therefore moone the partes of the body, by making them hang, and decline; as if they were benummed with colde. Wherefore in these bodies, anxiety, horrour, and despaire wil appeare most forcibly; because they have a natural spice of their predominant element, by reason of the drynesse and swartenesse it brin-

bringeth with it. In like manner, because the motions of the water bee Flegmaticke formewhat heavie, (though not altogether so much, as the earth, as be- Watery. ing leffe restrained) therefore fleame (which naturally aunswereth thereprocureth in those bodies wherein it prevaileth, actions of timiditie, simplicitie, humilitie, and mercifulnesse, inducing men to incline somewhat downewardes, and to dilate their limmes: And so feare and timiditie aunswere to fleame, by reason of the palenesse which it infuseth, and sorrow, which may be knowne by a blewish palenesse which

accompanieth it.

The motions of the aire tende vpwards moderatly, as being temperate, Sanguine and not altogether dilated or difforted, like those of the fier. And because it Alery. is a pleasant Element, men of a sanguine Complexion are conformable ynto it: as being temperate, modest, gratious, printely, gentle and merry, moouing their limines moderatly, and not permitting the to Iwag, hang, turne aside, and be dilated. Vnto which external motions, these affections of the minde are best agreeable: Loue, whence springeth delight and pleasure, defire, mirth, and hope: All which are passions of delight and a quiet minde; enemies to anxiety, desperation, and hatred. Wherefore they send foorth spirits contrary to those of a watery and earthy Complexion.

Finally, the motions of the Fier doe much differ from the rest, which Cholericks continually strine vpwardes (as in experience we see) being forcibly drawen Fiery. together, and wreathed; (which property the olde Poets indevoring to represent, fained Vulcane God of the Fier lame) because it did not continually increase, and flie vpwardes with an vniforme motion, but was each moment interrupted by agitation. Whereupon the motions of Cholericke bodies are likened thereunto; as being wielent, boysterous, are rogant, bould, and fierce: and therefore inforce the limmes to moone vowardes, turne, shake, &c. Whereunto these inward passions of anger, hatred, and boldnesse appertaine; inlarging the partes with heate, inflaming the flesh with rednesse, (especially the eies) and causing al the partes of the body to swell most vehemently.

Here then the diligent Motiff ought to observe, howe much any one Note. humor aboundeth in the body, that so he may learne to expresse the motions accordingly. Which course whosoener keepeth, will never represent a magnanimious souldier with slowe, milde, and remisse actions, which agree only with timerous and penitent persons; nor the Pope or Emperour with restrained, rude, barbarous, or sierce actions, which accompanie sadde, base, and guiltie persons; and so foorth in the rest. And let him that duely confidereth these reasons be bolde, that he shall truely understande the groundes of exemplifying all kinde of actions and gestures, that may bee imagined or practized. For each severall part in every body hath his due conformity with all the rest, as they also have with it;all which are so agreeable to the exteriour superficies of the partes, that by vertue thereof they frame out the whole body; which is afterwardes accompanied with the colour, taste, hearing, voice, sight, defires, exercise, motions, &c. Whence it commeth to passe, that a martiall Bb i.

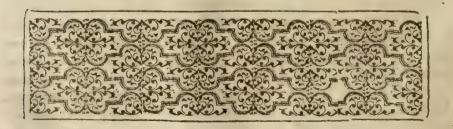
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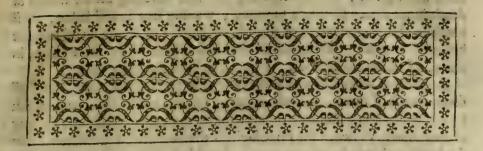
body, made meager with great, raised, and hard lims, strong soynts, and mighty bones, wilbe (for the most part) of a swarte complexion, mixed with adust redde, having a lowe forhead, great eies, in colour yeallowe like the same of the sier, with large eie-lids, wide and open nostrels, breathing forth vapours in great abundance, a wide mouth, thicke lippes, and redde; white teeth, small eares, a round chinne, forhead and iawes, a darkish haire, but tending to a siery redde; stiffe, wreathed, and curled locks, an exile, shril, & violent voice, &c. delighting altogether in laborious matters, as to beare armes, exercise his body in wrastling, and such like activities; being better pleased at the report of terrible and fearefull accidents, then at the hearing of smoothe and pleasant carpet-discourses: he is exceedingly sensual, impatient, vnquiet, stirring, &c.

Now he which is able to expresse the properties of one Complexion exactly, will easily judge of the rest: because all natural thinges have a certaine correspondencie in method, forme, proportion, nature, and motion: all which being Philosophically understood, bring with them a certaine knowledge of all actions and gestures, to be imagined in bodies, by vertue of which they may be put in practise. Which knowledge, if it be behouefull in

any artificer, then furely is it most requisite in a Painter.

Againe, it is most certaine that a picture which doth not in some measure represent the life (as being able to endure the publike vewe) producth very unperfect as well in the inward affections, as the outward motions, loosing all that commendation, which by reason of the worth of the other parts; it might otherwise deserue. Wherefore if the Painter shall alwaies propose unto himselfe the life, counterseiting it as neare as possibly he can, then whensoeuer he perceiueth a man somewhat inclined to any particular affection, and alwaies yeelding to the actions agreeable to the same, hee ought so to expresse it in his picture. Whereunto if many that beare the name of good and sufficient Painters had binne inioyned, they would not have binne so hasty in stealing credite to themselves, by other mens labours: (for in truth a thing taken from his due place, where it hath a divers ende, cannot well be applied to the drifte of a worke, into which it is newly transferred) and so we should not now adaies finde so many wals, garnished with histories so ill representing nature, without al Arte or life.





HOVV THE BODIE IS ALTE. RED BY IMITATION.

CHAP. VI.



H E passions of the minde doe likewise alter the body by a certaine hidden vertue and power, which hath his originall from fome vehement imagination; as it often hapneth in any fudden attonishment, procured by the fight or hearing of some strange matter. In which case we must be sure to frame al the other subla sequent motions (according to the original power whereby they are moved) answerable to the principal

passions expressed in our picture; that in so doing, we may shunne such abfurdities as we daily finde in diverse pictures, concerning this point: whereas if this discretion be omitted, our pictures will rather seeme like dreames, or workes done at hap-hazard, then true and linely representations of the history intended. But because the principal moving effectes are manie in number, I meane (for better illustration lake) to give a taste of some exam-:ples, which (I hope) thall adde fuch light to the professours of this Arte, that thereby they that be able to represent all the inferiour & subordinate passions in order, as they answere to the principal, which is first mooved by the object. As he which reporteth some strange accident to others, is chiefly impoved therewith himselfe, according to the nature of that which hee reporteth; then the hearers beeing more or lesse affected, together with him, performe the like effectes in their owne bodies, & so in the like. For the motions appeare diverly; in warlike persons seirce, inforrowfull men -fadde, in pittifull compassionate, in hasty folks ridiculous, and in merry fellowes cheereful and pleasant: as when one telleth some iest laughing, hee provoketh others to laughe. Howbeit a man is much more Theele premooved by leeing, then by hearing: whence I holde it most conveni-ferred before ent for that Painter, which would prooue a cunning Motift, to be curiouslie precise in diligent observing of the aboue named rules. For who is

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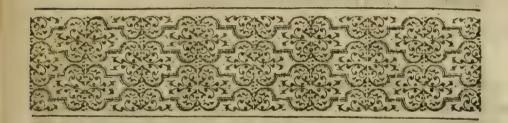
there amongst vs, which beholding an other suffering the tormentes of death, is not therewith much mooued, waxing heavie and fadde, as if himselfe also selt some part of the others panges? or seeing an other cutte his legge or arme; seemeth not also to feele a spice of the same paine, in

that parte of his owne bodie, where hee fawe the other hurte?

And thus if we runne over all the other effectes of mans body, we shall finde in each of them, a kinde of hidden powre, and secret vertue, which by way of similitude induceth others to participate their affections, by way of imitation. Whence the Philosophers thinke it no strange matter, that the body and minde of one man, should bee like affected with the minde of an other man; insomuch as the minde is farre more potent, forcible, and active then the vapours which ascende from the bodie: Neither is there any impedimente, why one mans bodie shoulde not bee as much subject to the minde of an other, as to his body. Whence they Evill compa- fay, that one man worketh in another, only by his affection and habit. And for this cause, are we warned to avoide the company of men of corrupt conversation: because their mindes doe infect those which are neere them. like a contagious and pestiferous aire: and on the contrary side, wee are exhorted to embrace the fociety of vertuous men, as a thing very pro-

But to our purpole; I holde, that howfoever all the faide alterations may by similitude take place in all bodies; yer notwithstanding they have much more efficacie in such, as agree in a natural sympathy and conforanity both of body and minde. Wherefore a stuffe and stubborne Saturnist will bee nothing so much mooved to pittie at some fearefull spectacle, as a milde and gentle Ioviallist: Nor an vindaunted Martiallist be like terrified with a wonder, as a timerous Lunist: or if hee chaunce to bee mooved, it is by expressing a kinde of incensing, like vnto that which is felte, when one feeth a thing of his owne nature. In like forte, are all the other bodies mooved more or leffe, according to the similar de they have one with an other: as also according to the time, age, and exercise. For a childe is affected one way; a youth an other; a man of ripe yeares a thirde; an olde man afourth: and a doatarde a fift; as daily experience will teach vs, in the accidents of the life. Wherefore the Painter must not overflippe the confideration of these thinges, in so much as they are the very spirite and life of the Arte. But ought rather to be daily conversant about the observation thereof, as of things of great subtilitie and no lesse difficultie: which may appeare by the small number of painters that have prooved excellent therein. And for this cause, have I positiuely affirmed (as you see) that all those passions of the minde, whence these externall bodilie actions flow, doe so much the more or lesse discover themselves, by how much the more, or lesse affinitie the bodies have, with any of the foure Complexions, arising from the foure Elementes. Wherevpon Ptolemie, the Arabians, Hebrewes, Agyptians, and other ancientes, together with Albertus Magnus, and divers other late Philosophers, and Mathematicians, have to curiouslie pried into the secretes of their naturall

naturall agreements and disagreements: all who were of opinion, that all these passions and affections proceede from the superior bodies by a certaine naturall instinct and inclination. Wherefore although the knowledge hereof be lesse needeful for vs, who are sufficiently perswaded, that * Sapiens * A wife man dominabitur astris, yet notwithstanding I will continue my proposed me- overroleth thode, declaring how the affections observed by these wise men, have (in their conceit) their original from the Celestial bodies. For by this means, we shall be the better able, to judge of every mans private nature, according to the Planet whereunto he is subject; for the fore-specified reasons. For the more exact understanding whereof, I meane to set them downe orderlie in the next chapter, beginning with the chiefe and vppermost, and calling them all by their proper names, taken from the Indians, Orpheus, and the other ancient Poets.



OF THE MOTIONS PROCV-

RED BY THE SEVEN PLANETS.

CHAP. VII.

Mongst the seven governours of the worlde (which Merc: Trismegistus calleth Planets as Saturne, Inpiter, Mars, Sol, Venus, Mercurie, and Luna) the chiefe & principal is S A T V R N E; which hath also received divers names of antiquity, as heaven, Sith-bearer, the fa- His names; ther of the Gods, patrone of Time; And from his effects here below; VVife, Intelligent, Ingenious, the seede of

great profundity, the auctor of secret contemplation, the imprinter of waighty thoughtes in men, a destroyer and preserver, the subverter of power and might, the keeper of hidden thinges, and the auctor

of finding and loofing.

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His influence and effectes.

Complexion.

His Influences are partly good, and partlie bad, according to the disposition of him that receiveth them, as weeping, melancholy &c. Hee causeth religious actions, as to bowe the knee, looke downe vppon the earth, pray, and such like motions of the brest and face, common to those which praie, or other aufteere and Satirical fellowes, with head declining, eies fixed on the earth, wasting himselfe with a furious silence, & examining his owne speech, with hanging lippes. Moreover hee causeth a Complexion of colour betweene blacke and yeallowe, meager, distorted, of an harde skinne, eminent veines, an hairie bodie, small eies, eie-browes joyned together, a thin bearde, thicke lippes, with lookes cast downe, an heavie gate, enterfairing as hee goeth. Belides, hee makes a man subtile, wittie, a way-layer, and murtherer. Now according to this forme of body, and these motions, you may frame any bodie subject vnto Saturne, that is of the temper and complexion answerable to the nature of Saturne. So that by that which hath bin faied concerning this Planet in particular, as also by that which shalbe spoken severallie of the rest, wee may gather one generall rule, as touching the arte of motions in our pictures, as well in respect of the quality

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of the humor, as of the motions themselves &c.

His names:

The second Planet is Iupiter; so named of the Latines, as you woulder saie invans pater, the father of beneficence and liberalitie: Hee is otherwise called of the Poets, magnanimous, the thunderer and lightner, invincible, altipotent, magnipotent, good-natured, fortunate, sweete, pleafant, the best wel-willer, honest, neate, of a good gate, honorable, the author of mirth and iudgement, wise, true, the reucaler of truth, the chiefe iudge, exceeding all the Planets in goodnesse, the bestower of riches and wisedome. The dispositions and affections proceeding from this Planet are; a merry and ingenuous countenance, actions of honor, shaking of handes, after the maner of those which entertaine strangers, commending and speaking men saire, with cap and knee, lifting up the head as those view which pray.

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Complexion.

Concerning the Complexion, Disposition, and Feature of the body, he makes a man of a mixt sanguine, betwixt white and red; of a delicate bodie, good stature, either balde or else high foreheaded: eies somewhat bigge, shorte nostrelles and vnequall, the checke-teeth somewhat bigge; a curled bearde, deceitfull and faire conditioned. All which correspondencies betwixt the qualities of the minde, and the constitution of the bodie, together with their exterior affections, if the Painter shall with judgment consider and observe, they will breede both delight in him, and estimation to his arte. Teaching him farthermore the true difference betweene an honest man and a varlet, one that is merrie, and a melancholy fellow, a man of his handes, and a coward; and so forth according to all those qualities naturallie proceeding from supplier &c.

MARS. III.

THe third Planet is Mars, and by the Poets is also called Mauors; the His names. A God of warre, bloudy, armi-potent, enlifer, magnanimous, bould, inconquerable, full of generosity, of innincible power, of impetuous presence, unresistable, a subnerser of the strong and mighty, and a deposer of Kings. He is the Lord of heare, burning, and power; the Planet of bloud, brawles, and vio- Effectes. lence; incensing contentious and bould spirites: and (in a word) broaching all difordered, inconfiderate and headdy actions. His gestures are terrible. cruell, fierce, angry, proude, hasty, and violent. He causeth men to be of a red complexion, a deepe yeallowe haire, round visagde, fiery eies, a cru- Complexion. ell and fierce countenance, by reason of his intemperate heate; in so much that he is reputed hoat and drie in the highest degree, bearing sway over redde choler.

SOL. IIII.

THe fourth Planet is Sol, which hath divers other appellations; as Pha- His names, bus, Apollo, Titan, Pean, Horus, Ofiris, Arci-tenent, fiery, golden, flammiger, radiant, igni-comus, auri-comus, the eie of the worlde, Lucifer, multi-fidus, omni-potent, the Prince of starres, the graund Seignior. He is of good nature, fortunate, honest, neate, prudent, intelligent, wise, the gouernour, the bestower of life vpon all bodies indued with soule, obscuring the light of the other starres with his exceeding brightnesse, and yet imparting vnto them all that light they have. Whence in respect of the night, he is called Dionystus, and of the day Apollo; as you would say pellens malum, i. the dispeller of euill. Wherefore the Athenians called him anstinanop, &C.

He was named Phæbus by reason of his beauty; and Vulcane because of the violent heare he ingendereth in those bodies, ouer which he hath dominion, and Sol for the preheminence of his light; wherfore the Assyrians named him Adad, which fignifieth alone; the Hebrewes Shemelh. The Effectes. motions proceeding from him are couragious, honorable, maiestical, confiderate and wife. The colour and hewe which hee giueth is brownish Complexion. betwixt yeallowe and blacke mixed with redde; causing those which are fubiect to him to be of a lowe stature, yet of a comely personage, balde, curled, with yeallowish eies; touching the affections of their minde, sage, con fiderate, prudent, trusty, vainglorious, and magnanimous.

VEN.VS. V.

T He fift Planet is Venus; whose denominations are likewise divers, ex-Hernames. pressed by variety of epitheces; as Chiefe, milde, faire, bright, white, pleasant, powerfull, fruitfull, the mother of love and beauty, the progenie of Bb iii.

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ages, the first mother of man, she that first toyned both sexes together in love, the Queene of all ioye, frendly, mercifull, ever-bountifull to mankinde, embracing all thinges with her vertue, humbling the strong and lofty, and exalting the base and weake, and directing all thinges. They call her Aphrodite because she is found in every mans sense and minde, and Phosphoros, or Lucifer when the appeareth before the funne in the East, and Hesperus when the followeth the funne. Her motions are pleasant and mirthfull, being given to sportes, dalliances, dauncing, and embracings: the makes the countenance amiable, pleafant, and merry; working a kinde of white-Complexion, neffe in the body; by reason of her colde and moiste nature (resembling the water, which when it is congealed and frozen, looketh white) yet prettely mixed with redde; she causeth men to be proper of body, faire and round visaged, with blacke rowling eies, browne haire, of a louely disposi-

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tion, gentle, bountifull, courteous, affable and gratious.

His names:

Alipes.

MErcurie is the fixt Planet; and of the ancient is called the sonne of Iupiter, the Herauld and Prolocutor of the gods: the Grecians call him sincis, which fignifieth thining, ferpentiger, caducifer, * light-foote, eloquent, gainefull, wife, reasonable, strong, potent as wel on the good as on the badde part; the Notary of the Sonne, Iupiters her auld, having commerce with the supernall and infernall gods, male with the male, and female with the female, most fruitfull, an Hermaphrodite; Lucian calleth him the Vmpeere of the gods, others Hermes or the interpreter, and the expounder of the mysteries of Nature. His motions are inconstant, slippery mutable, strong, lively, prompt, and ready. He causeth a Complexion neither very white, nor very blacke, a long vifage, an high forhead, small eies, not altogether blacke, an euen nose and something long, thinne beard, long and flender fingers: the operations which he causeth in the minde are witty, Subtile, busie, Sharpe, wary, and fruitfull.

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"He seventh and last Planet is Luna; of the ancient called Phabe, Di-Ana, Lucina, Proserpina, Hecate, menstrua, triformis, noctiluca, wandring, silent, double horned, safe, night walking, cornigera, Queene of heauen the first of the Goddesses, Queene ouer mensmindes, Mistresse of all the elements, the to whom the starres have relation, and the elements are in subjection, at whose becke the lightnings shine, and seedes spring, the mother of corne, lister of Phabus, the transporter of light from one Planet to another; imparting her light to all the other starres, and restrayning their divers courses, the Lady of raine and moisture, the bestower of riches, the

the nur se of mankinde, the ruler of all states, pittifull, mercifull, the preserver of men both by sea and land, mittigating the tempestes at sea, the subduer of carnall affections, Queene of the world, and vanguisher of hell. Who se maiestie the birds of the aire, the beaft's of the feildes, the serpentes in the rockes, E caues of the earth, and the fishes of the sea doereverence, finally the enemy to theeues and murtherers.

Her motions are mooveable beneficent, childish, simple, oblivious, and Complexion curious. Shee makes a man of a pale Complexion, intermingled, with red. of a comely stature, round visage, & marked, blackish eies, bittle browes, teder, and foft flesh. The qualities of whose mind are sociability, facility, pen-

finenesse, affectation of newes, no readie gift in discourling.

And trom hence springeth the whole variety of all the other motions, be fides the above named of the elements, all which serve for tokens, & signes, whereby we may the better attaine to the knowledge of the natures of people, and their affections and pathons, answerable to the vertue and influence of the Planets, which the ancient Mathematicians haue by long experience observed: Neither did those excellent Motistes Al. Magnus, Abbas Tritemius, and Rai: Lullius consider them, to any other ende and purpose. Whosoever therfore, shalbe throughly possessed with these things, imprin- Note. ting the well in his mind, & proceeding according to their directio in his pictures, may affure himselfe that his workes will prooue not onely commendable, but even exceeding admirable; expressing in them saddnesse by saturne, by Iupiter contentment, by Mars crueltie, by Sol magnanimitie, by Mercury quicknesse of spirite, by Venus loue and wantonnesse, and by Lune humanitie and gentlenesse: exemplifying moreover according to these obfervations, these and such like effects, vnited together in the Compoundes; all which the ancient Maisters, carefully observed (as may appeare by their workes, which sufficientlie declare, that they both vnderstood these misteries, and tooke great paines in expressing them. Whence it is most apparent, that the knowledge of these thinges, cannot be attained vnto, by the meere practife of painting, but by the earnest studie of Philosophie, where with the ancient painters were sufficientlie furnished. And hence it is, that Mi. Angelo of late yeers, being verie skilfull in these matters; gaue to the Divels in his last indgment in the Vaticane, not onelie the actions and gestures of Angels and nimble and active men, together with other earthlie ornaments, but also divers other lookes and countenances, most sutable to their wicked intents, as in his owne discretion hee thought fittest: whence we finde in Charon, and the other Divels leverall countenances, though all of them dreadfull and malicious. In which point Leonard Vincent, and the other 5 mentioned in the second chapter of this booke (who were the verie light and direction of all the other good painters whome I therefore passe little inferiour to Mi. Angelo.

Effectes.

George Vafara ns Aretinas.



HOVV ALL THE MOTIONS MAY

ACCIDENTALLIE BEFALL ANIE MAN, THOUGH DIVERSLIE.

CHAP. VIII.

Aving hitherto discoursed of the motions arising from the elements, the humors, and the celestial bodies, as also how they differ each from other, according to their severall operations in men, and their various effects; It remaines that I should now speake in particular of certaine principall properties of these motions; taking natural examples (as my manner is) & applying them to the Planets, from whence this variety

of effects and influences descendeth. Which particularity of motions if it shall be expressed, it will discover all fortes of passions of the minde in each bodie. But because each man is subject to some one of the Planets, and therfore is more speciallie inclined to some one affection, it will not bee amisse to shewe how uppon occasion, anie affection whatsoever, Imay be stirred up in a man of any condicion or constitution; the manifestation whereof rifeth wholly from the 5 fenses, as the instruments whereby the obiects be apprehended: as by the eye weefee that which is comely and vndecent: by the eare wee heare foundes pleafant and unpleafant, as praise and dispraise: by the nost relles wee smell sweete and stinking, stronge and sharpe savours: by the taste wee discerne sweete, sharpe, vnlavorie, thicke, salte, stipticke virulent, bitter, fat, stronge, vnpleasante, and (as Aristotle saieth) harde and fofte: finallie by the feeling wee touch colde and hotte, moistand drie, as also sharpe, light, slipperie, heavy, harde, soft, groffe, flender, and fuch like qualities from whence all actions, whereunto anie kinde of bodie is subject, are caused, though more abundantly and more apparantly in some, then in others. Whence we are given to vnderstand, that as these qualities are distinct betweene themselves, and are feverally

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severallie applied to the Planers, so likewise the affections proceeding from them doe varie, accordinglie as the senses, apprehensions, and passions together with their objects, vz. Coulors, founds, smells, tastes, and matters, doe differ.

Now although there be but one particular instinct in each private man; Observe, which inclineth him to good or evill, wherevnto that free governor and arbiter of his affections most Naturallie leaneth, and from whende all his ordinarie actions proceede:norwithstanding, there is no impediment, why a man may not be affected diverslie, by anie of the exterior senses (the ordinatic instruments of all our operations) by framing in his minde passions answerable to the object apprehended by his senses, and so cause such like actions to breake forth in him, as be repugnant to his particular inflincte. The truth whereof wee reade in David King of the Hebrewes; who was Note, lasciviouslie affected, when from the top of his Pallace he beheld Bethsheba bathing her selfe naked; and at the same instant was stirred up vnto crueltie in commaunding Vries to be flaine, although he were naturallie both a most continent and clement Prince. Againe, his sonne Salomon the wife, was subdued by his sense, and bewitched with the inticinges of concubines and Idolaters, thinges much abhorrent from the instinct of his nature. And thus in peruling of Histories, wee shall finde how divers most valiant Princes, haue vppon occasions prooved faint-harted, and bin stained with coverousnesse: manie pittifull men bin given to crueltie; religious men to revenge and malice; chast men to luxurie; stowte men to cowardize &c. Observing moreover the alteration of mirth into sorrow, lamentation into laughter, covetoulnesse into liberalitie; which I therefore omit, because wee daily see lively examples, of people succefficely affected with fundrie vices; as rapines, griefe, loue, dishonestie, thest, murther, hatred, revenge, treacherie, tyrannie, insolencie, &c. and contrariwise with religion, mercie, loialtie, clemencie, liberalitie, honestie, victorious desire of honor, &c. As theeues being ashamed to lay themselves open before companie, for feare of being discovered, will make a fayre shewe of true men: and curtefans and light huswives, in the presence of other graue matrones, will beare the countenance of verie honest women, concealing their habituall naughtines, for feare of the difgrace and punishment, which would otherwise ensue: and fellones to avoide the danger of the halter, will take uppon them the habite of honest and civile men.

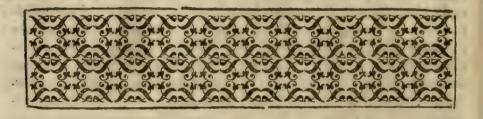
Hence then the Painter may learne how to expresse not onely the proper and naturall motions, but also the accidentall: wherein confisteth ho small part of the difficulty of the Arte, namelie in representing diversities of affections and passions in one bodie: A thing much practized, by the ancient Painters (though with greate difficulty) who ever indevored to leave

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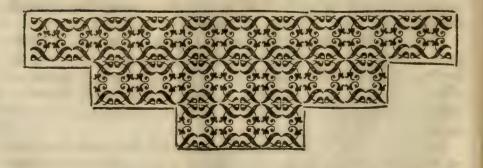
It is recorded that Euphranor gaue such a touch to the counterfeit of Paris, that therein the behoulder might at once collect, that hee was Vmpire of the three Goddesses, the Courter of Helena, and the saier of Achilles: and of Parhasius the Ephesian, that he painted the Idole of the A-

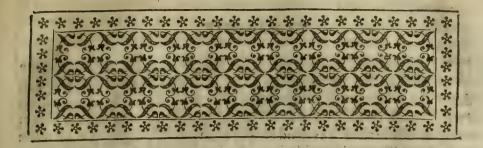
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thenians in such forte, that hee seemed angry, vniust, inconstant, implacable, gentle, mercifull &c. Againe, wee reade howe Theon represented in Orestes, furie and griefe mixed together: and of an other who resembled in Vhiles a dissembling patience: as also of Aristides the Thebane, who (in the person of a wounded woman giving her childe sucke) expressed paine, and feare so lively; that it was harde to faie, whether thee were more pained with the fense of her wounde, then affraide, least her childe lacking milke shoulde sucke bloude s who also is reported to have beene the first that beganne to represent these perturbations of the minde, and was afterwardes followed of the other Painters, as a guide herein. It was mine owne chaunce, to lighte vppon a small earthen heade of Christ in his childe-hoode, made by Leonarde Vincent himselfe; wherein you might evidently perceive the simplicity and innocencie of a childe, accompanied with understanding, wifedome, and maiestie: and although it were the countenaunce of but a younge and tender childe, yet it seemed to shew foorth a kinde of sage antiquitie, much to be admired.



OF





OF THE MOTIONS OF MELAN.

CHOLIE, FEAREFVLNESSE, MALICIOVS.

NESSE, COVETOVSNESSE, SLOWNESSE,

ENVIE, BASHFVLNESSE,

AND ANXIETIE.

CHAP. IX.



Aving generally intreated of all the motions, vnto what kinde of bodies they do particularly appertaine, and howe they may accidentally befall all fortes of men; it remaines that I touch each of them seuerally, beginning with Melancholie: whose motions are pensiue, sorrowfull, and heavie: and are to be expressed in the picture of Adam and Eve immediatly vpon their fall, making them with declined coun-

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tenances, and eies fixed on the earth, bowing the head, with one elbow restring upon the knee, & the hand under the cheeke, sitting in some convenient place, as under a shadowie tree, betweene the rockes, or in some caue;
Where you may likewise place Agar, when going great with childe, and
thrust out by Abrahams wise, shee betooke her selfe to a solitary place,
where she fell into a most deepe fit of sorrowfull bewailing and lamentation, hanging the head, till the Angell came and comforted her. In like sort
shall you represent David after his adultery; Peter after his denial of his master, &c. which Ariosto hath in some measure shaddowed in Sacripante
Cant: I. where he saith:

He tarried in this muse an howre and more, VV ith looke cast downe, in sad and heavy guise. And againe Cant: 2.

His eies were swolne with teares, his minde oppressed VVith bitter thoughts, which had his hart distressed.

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TIMIDITIE.

The actions of Timiditie are weake, fearefull, and hart-lesse; as in the Apostles, when they for sooke Christ at his apprehension: and againe, in the shippe, when they saw Peter walke vpon the waves of the sea; as also in Peter himselfe, when he denied his Master before the servats in the Pallace: and generally in all such as stand in seare of any the like danger; as we reade of Eneas in Virg: amiddest his searefull adventures by sea; of Absalom sying from his father; of Lot and his children, for saking the sine Cities on sier. In all which would be expressed, fainte, suspicious, and consused gestures, voide of all vigour: And vnto one dastard-like running away, you may sitly applye that which Ariosto Cant: I. speaketh of Ingelica, saying:

Her fearefull lookes of te times shee backe doeth caste, Still doubting least Rainaldo came behinde.

MALICE.

ALICE alwaies discouereth actions of crafte, and wicked intent, ne-Muer giuing place vnto free motions, but rather to restrained, odious, & mischieuous, wherin you shall finde little satisfaction or content, and cuermore heavie bokes, doubtfull gestures, and confused limmes. This may be truely resembled in Caiphas, despightfully renting his clothes, and in the Iewes, and those which accused Christ before Pilate: as also in the Pharises, accusing the adulteresse before Christ, at what time they being pricked with the conscience and remorse of their owne sinnes, slunke away out of his presence, one by one: and likewise in them that draue him out of the Temple with stones: In the traitour Iudas, when he betraied him with a kisse. You may also figure it in the countenances of malicious and spightfull Heretikes, when they answere for themselves, with malepert, malicious, and spightfull behauiour, in the Councels and such like places, be. fore the Inquisitors and examiners; representing them with hollowe eiebrowes and eager lookes, discouering their venemous stomacke against the truth. In Proctours of the law and Notaries, whiles they maintaine a broken cause before the Iudges; and in Counsellours, when (for a double fee, they giue bad aduile, to the ouerthrow of their credulous client.

COVETOVS NESSE.

OVET OV SNESSE (being nothing els but a greedy desire of enioying much, when men employ al their indeuours to become penny-fathers) hath restrained and catching actions, alwaies drawing in the hands and the armes:

benummed with colde; to bee pensine, looke into other mens affaires, clitch his thumbe betweene his other fingers (which is a most infallible token of a miser) and the like, which may bee observed in this kinde of people, being perpetually obstinate, and odious amongst men. And these may bee expressed in Crassus, especially in his expedition against the Parthians, where he died. In Polymnestor King of Thrasia, when he murthered Polydore Priamssonne, for his treasure. In Tantalus, at his banquet for the Gods, when hee set the limmes of his owne sonne Pelops before them, insteede of meate: In Midas, wishing that whatsoever hee touched might become golde: In Aglaurus, turned into a stone for disturbing Mercuries love &c; who studied nothing, but to heape vppe wealth: it may farthermore be expressed in some measure in greate Princes, stained with the spotte thereof; as in Vespatian, and the Emperour Galba.

TARDITIE.

TARDITIE makes a man flow and heavie in all his actions: whose proper gesture is to stande still, mooving the armes, and the rest of his body slowly, not much mooving, or spreading the legges, which when they are once fixed in a place, be not easily altered; as in men that forget themselves, porters, and clownes: The like appeareth sometimes in Philosophers, and great Sages, when they are in some prosounde studie and contemplation: whom you may make stroking their beardes with a slower hand: And after this manner shall you shew old solkes, but especially grosse and country people.

ENVIE.

Egood) causeth a man to drawe backe all his limmes, plucke in, and as it were shaddowe his eie-liddes, grinde his teeth, wry his mouth, turne himselfe with a passionate kinde of lookes, as if he meant to prie into other mens actions, being ever talking of other men. This you may shaddowe in Cain, who perceiving that his brother Abels sacrifice was more acceptable to God then his owne, being moved with wrath and distaine, slew him: and it will be a very good action to paint him biting one of his singers; Note, which is a most evident token of an envious minde purposely set vpon revenge. The like shal you decipher in the Divels countenance when hee beguiled Eve in Paradise; and finally in al such as boyling with rancour, plot the ruine and subversion of other mens prosperitie.

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BASHFVLNESSE.

The actions of Bashfulnesse are voide of algrace and Courtlinesse, being hasty and suddaine, sollowing businesses without any regarde of decorum; and is common to clownes, shepheardes, artificers, and the baser sorte of people, who have no touch of civil behaviour, or Courtly carriage: it appeareth sometimes in greate States, and mighty Princes: as we reade of Cincinnatus, Lucius Dentatus, and Sertorius amongst the Romanes; of a certaine King of the Danes Gensericus, Attalus, Tamberlane, Selim, Bar barossa, and others amongst the Barbarians, which because they lived so laterly, may easily be knowne of all.

MNXIETIE.

The actions of Anxietie are importunate, troublesome, waspish, and angry; as to intreate, flatter, sooth, earnestly to sollicite, and importune with diverse gestures and behaviours, without all comely grace, or regarde of him, from whom such a curtesse is expected, yet never ceasing to crave, without any consideration of the opportunity of time, or place. This is founde principally in Lazers, beggers, wary and cautelous men: and is an especiall property of stiffe clownes, sadde people &c.

SADNESSE.

SADNESSE (differing very little from Melancholy) cannot (in my judge ment) be better described, then as Ariosto doth it in Angelica Cant. 8. saying:

Heere shee remaining helpelesse and alone,

Amonge the fruitlesse trees and sensesse rockes,

Standing her selfe allske a marble stone,

Saue that sometimes shee tare her golden lockes,

At last here ies to teares, her tongue to mone

Shee doth resolve, her faire white brest shee knockes,

Blaming the God of heaven, and powre divine,

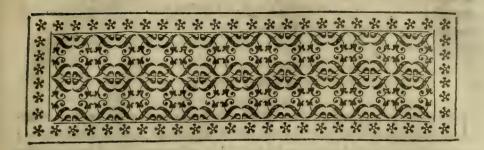
That didthe Fates unto her fall incline.

And againe of Isabell to her lover Serbino Cant: 24.

VVith watery eies, and hart surprized with anguish

Ionning her face to his, and her faire eies

To his, that like a withered Rose did languish.



OF THE MOTIONS OF FOR.

TITVDE, FIDELITIE, IVSTICE,
DEVOTION, MAIESTIE,
AND CONSTANCIE.

CHAP. X.

ORTITUDE of the minde (being a gifte most proper vnto Abraham, Iacob, Ioshua, and Moses) ingendereth motions of constancie, generositie, maiestie and courage: in so much, that a man may perceiue whether the motions of volubilitie, quicknesse, be well settled in such a person, or no. Now bodily fortitude (although it ever accompanie that of the minde, being proper to Achilles, Hestor, Aiax, Hercules, Samp (on &c.) persor-

meth actions of strength, puissance and valour, so that neither the pores are dilated, nor the limmes inlarged, as those of weake and nimble fellowes are: whence we see strong men to be well set, with a firme, sure, and terrifying pace, seldome streatching forth their armes into the aire, or hanging the heade.

FIDELITIE.

FIDELITIE fulfilleth sincere, saire, and trusty actions, without the mixture of other motions, and is most commonly found in sober, continent, and moderate men; whence it commeth to passe, that these men most commonly stand musing, seldome opening their mouthes to speake, they put not forth themselues to vndertake all thinges indifferently, but only such as agree with their disposition, freely refusing other matters, without dissimulation: as we read of those holy men of God Noe & Abrahā the first Patriarcks: of Agria, Polynices, Dido, Sichaus, Hypermnestra with her new spouse, amongst the Gentiles; & of Romanes M. Attilius, Brutus, towards his coutry, and

and divers others, vnto whome you shall give severall gestures, as the trust reposed in them, vppon sundrie occasions shall require; although none, or verie sewe of them can differ sinallie.

IVSTICE.

TV STICE being (as the Platonickes holde,) a masculine vertue, hath man-Lie, magnanimious, considerate, and moderate actions, inclining rather to severitie then to pleasure and delight, because a perfect just man, ought not to make the least shewe of affabilitie and remisnesse: but rather a staied minde, wholly bent to the confideration of the present matter: for affabilitie carrieth with it akinde of sugred adulation, from which ariseth either pittie or some other affection, swaying the minde awrie, and corrupting Instice: whence the ancient Ægyptians were wont to represent an vpright Iudge without eares, thereby giving vs to understand, that hee ought not to leane more to one parte, then to the other. Others have painted him with 4 eares; warning vs thereby, that with two hee shoulde heare the reasons of one fide, and with the other two those on the other fide: But some late workemen haue more ingeniouslie prefigured Iustice with a nose of waxe; because it is ordinarilie so easilie drawne vnto either parte. So that from it there proceede no firme and founde actions; but partiall, favorable, and fitting the humours and affections of others: and here I am of opinion that even at this day diverse good men doe no lesse shew forth the fruites of Iustice, then in former ages iust Ezechias, Mardocheus and others did, whome for brevitie fake, I refer to some more commodious place. Which vertue if it were ever perfectlie expressed in anie picture, then surelie it was in the countenance of Christ in the Doomes-day donne by Peter Peruginus, and Gaudentius in Varallo, but especially by M. Angelo. Howbeit, therein is deciphered both severitie and mildenesse together, which in him are ever to bee looked for in regarde of the Elect and Reprobate; the latter in respect of the Elect; and the former towardes the reprobate and desperate, who shall stande suspicious, mistrustfull, and trembling, ready to expect the fentence of life or death, good or evill.

DEVOTION.

DEVOTION hath divers fortes of actions, answerable to the sundrie kindes of praying. For wee reade howe Virgil: En: 2. bringeth in Achifes praying to Impiter, at the burning of Troye, when hee sawe a slame inviron the head of his Nephewe Acanius, and in the fourth booke where Iarbas complaineth to his father Impiter, for suffering Dido to bee stolen awaie by Eneas; whereby wee may observe, that when they praied to the heavenly Gods, they stoode on their feete, lifting their handes up to heaven; when to the sea gods, with their handes towardes the Sea; as may appeare

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appeare by the fifth of An: in the person of Cloanthus praying for the conquest in his sea-fight: when to the Infernall Gods, they kneeled in some ditch made in the earth: and when they intreated for peace, they stretched forth the right hand vnarmed, as we reade in Varg: in diners places of the last of his An: whom Ariosto hath well imitated Can: 18. in these verses.

(Moon dwith remorse) he stretched out his hand

Now besides these rites of the Gentiles, which belong to the vowes and sacrifices, which they performed to their Gods, Genij &c. we may observe divers rites and ceremonies vsed by the Prophets and Saints, in the time of their praying: As when God commoned with Abraham, inioyning him the observation of the Circumcission, Abraham sell on his knees, with his face towards the earth: as also Moyses did sometimes upon mount Sinai; Ezechias prayed with his face towards the wall; Elias cast his head between his knees, with divers other gestures which we may reade of.

There are besides these, certaine proper actions of deuotion; as to stand with the face cast downe on the earth, as Christ did in the garden; and with the head declining on one shoulder, as many holy and religious men vie to doe; to looke vp to heaven with the armes spread abroade, and sometimes a crosse, after the manner of kinges; to kneele, lifting vp the handes to heaven: to plait the singers within each other towardes the chinne, with an inclining countenance, to spread abroad the armes, with the head hanging downe, to lie groueling vpon the earth with the face downewardes and such like, as are vsed by all Christians, when soever they humble themselues before God. Howbeit I hold this to be the most convenient action, that he which praieth cast his eies up towardes heaven.

There are moreover fundry other actions of devotion in diverse nations; as of the naked priests of Meroe, called Gymno sophista; of the Priests named Saly, who accounted it a deuout thing to daunce armed in honour of Mars; of the Corybantes, who with the sound of tabers praied vnto Cybele the mother of the Gods, &c. The Turkes at this day, wrice and turne their shoulders when they pray to their Mahomet: and the Turke himselfe prostrateth himselfe vpon the earth, with his face downewardes, and other abfurde and ridiculous gestures, which I passe ouer as not appertaining to our purpose. This then may be a generall rule: that the motions of Deuotion bee quiet, peaceable, humble, stable, and more melancholy then merry, which is proper to contrition, & bewailing our sinnes before God, where such actions are required, as are free from mirth, laughter, and lightnesse.

MAIESTIE.

The gestures of Maiestie are agreeable to those of honor, nobility, magnanimity, liberality, and excellency, all which vnited together, would be represented in the Pope, and the Emperor; but especially, as they sit on their thrones and tribunals; as also in Kings and other great personages, vnto whom the principall and chiefe places and degrees appertaine.

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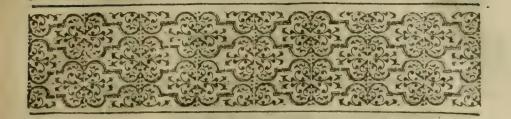
CONSTANCIE.

INALLIE Constancie hath strong, sure, and firme actions, in whatsoever it vndertaketh. Wherefore the constant man is not swayed by an other mans will, but followeth his owne determinations; which property ought to be represented in his countenance. As in Tob who continued immoueable, against all the assaultes and temptations of Sathan, as the Scripture witnesseth; in S. Steuen when he was stoned; in S. Katherine the virgine, in presence of the bloudy Emperour, and the rest of those vindaunted Virgines and Martyres: all which are proposed vnto vs, as most singular examples ofadmirable constancie. Of which kinde we have divers other most pregnant exaples amongst the Gentiles: as Anaxarchus, who being armed with this vertue, was so hardy as to bite off his owne tongue, and spit it into the Tyrant Nicocreons face, in the midst of his tortures; thereby giving him to vnderstand, that he scorned the vttermost of his most exquisite torments. The Roman Mutius who by error, flaying another in steede of King Porfenna, had so much courage, as voluntarily to thrust his owne hand, which committed the error, into that fier which was prouided for the facrifice. suffering it there to burne for a good space. Attilius Regulus, who for the good of his country, suffered himselfe to be thrown out of Carthage, in a barrell stucke full of sharpe nailes: and Aristides, with many others, as well Gracians as Romanes; whome, as often as you shall have occasion to paint, you must fet foorth with actions of inconquerable constancie. For all other actions, excepting this, have some kinde of relemblance with each other. Wherefore, the constant man alone, is to be delineated with his proper & peculiar actions. And to the end this vertue may be the onely wonder and amazement of History, it may be expressed in such wise, as we reade of certaine ancient men, who alwaies remained most obstinate and peremptory in their humors. Who (as Plinie writeth) were at open defiance with the world, by changing the vertue of constancie into rudenesse, currishly snarling at enery man, and vtterly abandoning civill conversation: As we reade of Crassus, who was never seene to laugh, and was therefore called Agelastos. Of Zoroastres, who never wept.

Of the renowned Socrates, who neuer changed countenance; informuch as by him you could not judge of any inward passion. But about all the other Philosophers, of Diogenes Cynicus, who excelled herein so much, that all his schollers and followers had that name given them. Of Pyrrho, Heraclitus, and Timon: all which swarued very much from the common and ordinary currant of other men, by the excessionenselse of this constancie; or ra-

ther plaine pertinacie.





OF AVDACITIE, STRENGTH,

FIERCENESSE, HORROR, FVRY, ANGER, CRVELTY, VIOLENCE, RAVING, ROVGHNES, OBSTINACY, TERRIBLENES, DISDAINE,

IMPIETIE, INIVRIE, HATRED, PRIDE, VA.
NITIE, AND ADVENTURING.

CHAP. XI.



HE actions of AVDACITIE, are rash, presumptuous, arrogant, and stubbourne; as not regarding others, and desiring to bee seared of all men; scorning all men with a searefull countenance, and gestures sull of threatning and insolencie: which must bee expressed in the Giantes against Iupiter; in Nimrod sounder of the Babylonian tower; and in Goliath slaine by David.

STRENGTH.

STRENGTH hath lustie, stowte, and sturdie actions: as to looke bigge, and raise himselfe stowtelie vppon his legges, alwaies composing his bodie with a good carriage; not slagging and dilating his limmes as weake and werish bodies doe, but contrativise raising them vpwards, yet not mainelie forced, but with a kinde of free gravitie, and seldome mooved but to good purpose, and when hee is mooved, to seeme fearefull to the beholders. And for this cause was Antaus the ancient King termed the son of the Earth in regard of the lustie and stronge motions of his lims, as also Typhaus the Giante; for seare of whome the Poets sabled, that the Gods were turned into divers shapes: As also Hersules the Thebane,

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Milo the Crotonian, and Lysimachus one of Alexanders captaines that slewe a Lyon.

ARROGANCIE.

A RROGANCIE hath some resemblance to the other motions, beeing proude, terrible, wilde, saucie, cruel and sierce; which Ariosto hath verie well expressed in Rodomonte Cant. 46. saying:

Never alighting, or so much as rising, For reverence sake, to bowe his head or knee, Hee bare the countenance of a man despising, Both Charles, and all the Peeres of high degree.

And in other places in the same Rodomont, as also in Mandricardo; who ought ever to be expressed with their handes readie to mischiese others, drawing themselnes backewards with a frowning browe, voide of al mirth; insomuch that everie bodie seemeth to stande in seare of them, not daring to looke vppon them, who still looke awrie, never turning their eie but verie slowelie, extending their nostrelles, and gaping as if their whole delight were set vppon doing wronge, by quarrelling, threatning and mis-using men, with the roughest and bitterest actions of the bodie that can bee devised.

HORROVR.

ORROVR hath frightfull actions and full of terror; causing a man to tremble, slie awaie, feare, pante, looke pale, and colourlesse in the face; as in This be when shee founde the Lyon at the well; and in that armed servant at the onelie sight of Marius, whome hee was sent to kill in his chamber; and generallie, in all who are suddained in terrified with the vnexpected apparition of searefull and dreadfull thinges.

FVRIE.

Fur fleweth actions of follie and distraction; as in such as fal into offensive actions, without anie regarde, shewing great vehemency in all their affections, by gaping & wrying their mouthes, seeming to crie out, bewaile, howle, & lament, tearing, & renting their lims & garmets, expressing a spice of surie, as if they were perpetuallie besides themselves. Examples whereof wee have in Althaa kindling the sirebrand of her some Meleager; in Athamae killing his owne sonnes, and putting awaie his wife: Heliodorus in his Athiop. historie mentioning this furie in faire Cariclia partly for the absence of her Theagenes, and partly for the marriage of Cnemon & Nausislia, bringeth her in like a mad & surious woman, casting her selfe vpon her bed, plucking her haire & tearing her selfe, retting her apparted, & saying: voe let vs do sacrifice to the divel, with such like speeches, most aptly applied vn-

to her passion coplaining & lamenting in her close chamber, so that with her teares shee did wette the whole bed, and finallie after longe outcries, shreechings, and other furious actions (as if sheepresently imbraced her Theagines, thee clippeth the bedde with her armes, lying prostrate with her face downewards, calling vppon her welbeloveds name with manie deepe and hartie fighes.

ANGER.

A NGER (being nothing else but a vehement inflammatio of the minde) hath raging, violente, and cholericke motions; as appeareth in any grie folkes, who are swollen about the face, having fierie eies, burning like a coale. The motions of all their members are lustie and verie quicke, by reason of the violence of choler; as in Moses, when by occasion of wor-Thipping the calfe, he brake the tables of the Lawe, which hee receaved of God vppon mount Sinay; in Alexander when hee flewe Callest henes and other of his friendes; so that everie man sought to avoide his presence, when hee was in that fit; for it was so forcible in him, that it is reported of him. that hee did once in India cast forth sparkes of fire from his bodie; in Tydeus who dying (as Petrarch writeth most elegandie vppon this passion) bit the head of Menalippus with his teeth; in the Romane Sylla, whome Petrarch also metioneth in the same place; & in Valentinia Hungar: Emperor of Rome as also in Noah when hee heard of the fact of his sonne Cham, who had derided him whilst heelay naked by the waie, wherefore he also cursed him.

CRVELTIE.

CRVELTIE hath eger, hurtfull, importunate, and bitter actions; as purposelie to offend others; to take pleasure in other mens harmes, to feede it selfe with bloudshed and death: and hence it is that you shall never finde gratious mildnesse in their countenances: As wee reade of Abimelech, who slewe his 70. brethren; of Zimri, who to obtain the kingdome killed his King Elah; of Zenacheribs sonnes, who slewe their father before the altar; of the cruell king of Babylon, who caused the sonnes of Zedechias to bee murthered before his face, and afterwardes putting out his eies, threwe him into prison. Of Mithridates King of Pontus, who vp. on the receipt of one letter, caused 80000 Romanes to be put to the sword. Of the King of Troy who * ripped vp his wife, to fee where her children The like is relaie; of Archelaus King of Macedonia, who killed his sonne, vnckle and ported of brother, without anie occasion; of Phalaristhe Agrigentine Tyrante, who by extreame crueltie proposed a rewarde, vnto anie man that coulde invent a newe kinde of torture for men; and of others most famous for crueltie; as Cyrus, Creon, Dionysius, Herode, Sylla, Medea, Seyron, Procrustes, Mezentius, Attyla, Barbarossa, Selim, the Turke, Tamberlane the Tartarian, and most of the Iewes who crucified our Saviour: wherein you

may observe the prison, the buffetting, spurning, crowning of him with thornes, the scorning, the cruciating, and out-rages of the cordes, and bandes, spitting, whipping, carrying the crosse, pearcing of his hands and feete, his lifting up on the crosse, the repulse of Mary, his drinking of gall, opening of his side with the speare, &c. which wee reade in the Passon. In whom a man of meane capacitie may imagine, that all the vilanies were performed which those vngratious and surious people could devise.

VIOLENCE.

Violence differing not much from furie, suddainely looseth the raines to althe other motions, without regarde or discretion; as the manner of violente people is, who care for nothing, but to obtaine their purpose; a general example whereof are, the French-men, who with a certaine loftic action despissing, and vehemently threatning with out-cries, leave no mischiefe vnattempted whiles they are in that furie.

RAGE.

Note.

Rage (as one saieth) is a Dutch passion; and is between anger and surie: it maketh men grinne, grinde their teeth, some at the mouth, close their hands, looke vpwardes and side-long dreadfully, throwing away whatsoever they have in their hands, as Moses did the tables; or else contrariwise to clitch sast, and rather to indure any torture, yea sometimes death it selfe, then to let it goe. As we reade of Cynegirus the Grecian captaine, who having pursued the Persians vnto their shippes, he caught holde of one of them with his right hand, which being cut of by the Persians, hee tooke hold with the other, and that being cut off againe, he helde it so long with his teeth, vntil the Athenians came and tooke it. Moreover Rage causeth other actions; as very wel noteth Ariosto Cant. 43. in the person of Fiordeliege at the newes of Britomarts death, saying:

Her tender cheekes, and her faire hayre shee tare, Oft calling on his loued name in vaine, VVhose losse had bred in her such wofull care,

Shreeching and crying out with griefe and paines

Like those with Divels that possessed are,

Or as the Menades, with sonnde of horne,
In furious manner all about were borne. Which passion he prosecuteth in many verses in the same Cant. till turning againe at the last hee
saith:

VVith this, againe so great her surie grew,
Shee made upon her selfe a fresh assault,
And her saire hayre shee rent and tare a new,
As if her sayre hayre had beene in the faulte,
Even from her tender cheekes the bloud shee drewe,
Still dewing them with watery teares and salte:

ROVGHN ESSE.

OV GHNESSE exerciseth rough, harde, and cruell actions, in which nobility, pitty, mildnesse or loue are neuer found; wherfore it makes a man draw in his eie-lids, moue flowly, and without any grace, draw his mouth aside when he speaketh, looke disguisedly ouer the shoulder your him whoe he beholdeth, & so makes him peruerse & obstinate to heare any counsell; such are the Tartarians, and Seythians; and such were the Gothes. Vandales, and those barbarous nations, which oppugned and ruinated Italy, and halfe the world; being voide of pittie, or respect of humane or divine affaires; next vnto them the olde Lumbardes comming foorth of the deferts of Scythia, rude men, bare-legged, fierce, without military arte, withoutfurniture of warre, or horses, of sauage behauiour, with warlike countenances, dreadfull &c. as they write of Tamberlane that cruell Tartarian; of the Lestrigones whome Ariosto describeth, and of Polyphemus.

TERRIBLEN ESSE.

TERRIBLENESSE hath direfull, haynous, horrible, and harde motions, but with a kinde of Magnanimitie, as we reade in the Histories of the ancient Romans, of Brutus, Torquatus, Marius, Mithridates, Sylla, and Catos as also of Caligula; who studying how he might becoe terrible to the people. Note. he viewed himselfe in a glasse, to marke what countenance he might choose that would feeme most terrible; wherefore he drewe in his eye-browes. looked sharpe, put out his lippes, euer turning his head sidelong, and so became a most terrible and intollerable tyrant. Nowe this terriblenesse will seeme the greater, when those which stande by this terrible fellowe appeare fearefull and trembling, least they should commit any thing, which might offende or displease him. Wherefore in a History we must ener be carefull, to make some one passion exceede, in comparison of his contrary: because it will have more force according to the subject represented.

OBSTINACIE.

B STINACIB hath stubborne, hasty, harde, implacable, and immutable actions; and will rather indure any paine then become obedient, raging like a Beare, or a Lyon; as Pharao King of Ægypt, who indured so many scourges, and plagues by the hand of Moses, which he might have avoided, by letting the children of Ifrael go. Besides it makes a man relie vpon himselfe, not caring for any thing saue that hee imagineth; it makes him to folde the armes, pressing them towardes his breast, to cast Note.

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his eies downewards vpon the earth oftener then vpwards, to stand alwaies leaning, as with his backe against a wall, or with his arme or elbow against a seate or some such matter, with his legges a crosse, or drawne inwardes, with either one soote, or one knee vpon the other &c.

DISDAINE.

Isdaine causeth a man to shake his head a little, to stare sercely, and to open his mouth with a kinde of scornesul smile, causing him to liste vppe his arme, a little opening his hand and wresting it about, holding vppe his nose, as if he smelt something amisse; and such like actions, which weessee daily, but especially in the Dutch-men, by reason of the suspicion they properly have for every trisse, wherein they thinke they are scorned. Which vice is also common to the Spaniarde; who will suddainely enter into distaine, when thinges crosse his humour: so that hee can hardly endure it, if himselse and his matters, bee not in that request hee desires; whence hee is most commonly detested of al Nations, for his naturall odious desire of soveraignty over others.

IMPIETY.

MPTETY hath inhumane, cruell, and fierce actions, quite contrary vnto gentlenesse, humanity, and discretion, which were much noted in Camby-ses, and Cyrus nephew to Astrages king of the Medes, and in diversothers who delighted in bloud, slaughter &c.

INIVRIE.

In a nan to insulte with a kinde of violence, and looking sercely vppon him whom he iniurieth, threatning, and scorning him; as the wicked Iewes did Christ; and the Gentiles the holy Martyrs. The French-man is, for the most part, reprochesult (as we see daily) so that if you would represent such a motion aptly, you may put him in the natural action he vseth in his affaires, being stoute, a despiser and threatner. Such a one was that famous Gracchus Sempronius amongst the Romans.

HATRED.

HAATRED (which is an inveterate anger through forrow and griefe)
performeth grievous, offensiue, & troublesome actions towards him
we hate: As we read of Ismael towards Isaacke: Esaw towards Iacob:
Saul

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Saul towardes David: Insephs brethren towardes him &c. Amongst the Gentiles of Hamilear Barchinus, and his sonne Hanniball towardes the Romanes; Sylla against Marius, Cato against Casar; and Octavius against Mar. Antonius. All which (beeing provoked vpon diverse occasions) maintained capital and immortall hatred. There are also other actions of hatred, as in men of civile and good education towardes rude, indiscreete, and vncivil men, towardes whom a man is often copelled to vse such actions for the beating downe of their insolencie; with spurnings, shoulderings and repulses.

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Pride is taken in the better; and in the worse sense. In the better: and then it is such a losty carriage, as a mans estate requireth; the motions whereof are noble and principall; as in them who mooved by an ardent desire of greatnesse and honour, aspire vnto high and lostic matters: And those noble mindes which shall with judgement and discretion make vse hereof, shall vndoubtedly obtaine much credite in all their affaires. Pride in the worse (but more proper and more vsual part) hath imperious, arrogant, and insolent motions, causing the limmes to swell, and carrying the heade alost, but with no steddinesse and gravitie: finally, ever shewing a scornesul and contemptuous behaviour towardes other mens advise; as we reade of Roboam Salomons sonne, who because he despised the counsel of the ancient he was deprived of his kingdome; of Nabuchadono sor, Enceladus, Briareus, and diverse other Gyantes in Flegra in their sightes against Iupiter and the Gods.

VANITIE.

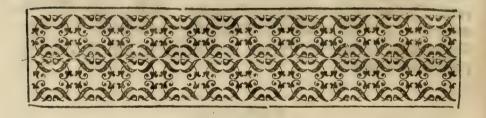
Vanitie vseth frivolous actions to no purpose, accompanied with a certaine contentment, so that such as are affected therewith, have a greater delight, then any setled determination: wherefore they are lighte, vnapte, easilie moved to laughter, and given to mocke at whatsoever they see: which is plainely seene in certaine Gallantes, and vaine-glorious fellowes, who perswade themselues, that they shal not be admired, excepte they shew some foolish, insolent, absurde and vaine action. Wherefore their manner is ever to be gallant, to crake, sing, wrastle, beate, strike, and bragge, as may be observed in diverse of base condition.

We reade that Zerxes King of Persia and his father were most vaine men, in so much that he himselfe sent to digge downe hils, and make passages through mountaines, to ioine seas together, to make a bridge betweene Sestos and Abydos cities farre of from each other; and of the Ro-

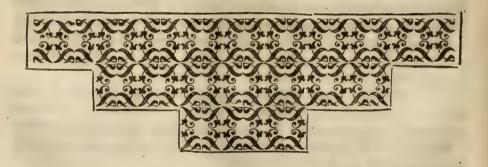
mane Casus in devising impossible plottes.

MDVENTVRING.

DVENTVRING finally hath couragious, bolde, fierce, and crabe bed actions; wherefore they are vigilant, free and loofe; voide of feare, and flouthfulnesse. This we may expresse in Abraham, when hee fet voon the fine Kings by night, which had taken Lot and his family prifoners: In Moses flaying the Agyptian, and burying him in the sande. In David whilf the was a shepheard, overturning the greate Philistine with his Iling, and cutting of his head with his sworde; In Samp son who with the jawbone of an affe flewe a thousande armed men; Moreover, you may expresseit in those four eworthy examples of true adventuring; as in Ehud the judge; Iaell the woman; Iudith the widdow, and Gedeon: the first whereof flew Eglon King of the Moabites; the second killed Sifera, driving a naile into his temples with a hammer; the thirde going from the citie into the middest of the enemies campe, cut of Olofernes heade, carrying it away with her; and the last with many souldiers discomfited the Medianites killing Oreb, and Zeb their Kinges with good successe, and bolde courage; besides diverse others which I might heere adde, if it were necessarie.



OF





OF HONOVR, COMMAVNDE-

MENT, NOBILITY, MAGNANIMITY,

BOVNTIE, DISCRETION,
MIRTH, AND PITTY.

CHAP. XII.



H E gestures of H O NO V R are to giue, and receiue; to sit or stande in some principall or eminent place for the purpose: as a throne, chaire of state, pulpit &c. where hee may be eadmired. Besides, they make the man so placed to rest himselfe without moving, (except vpon iust occasion;) to carry his body vpright, with his face more vpwardes then downewardes, not suffering him to put one knee vpon the other; or to

crosse his legs, to hold his hands behinde him, or stande picking his eares &c. as Ioan: de Casa in his Galatea observeth: but rather to beare the partes of his body a farre of, one from the other, as the seete and knees, stretching forth his right hand with a kinde of magnificencie, with his hands at liberty, nothing restrained, as those doe which put one within another, classing the singers, or crossing the armes; which are all base actions, and therefore to be avoided of all honorable personages, who desire to beare a gracious and wel-pleasing countenance, adorned with aecorum and maiestie, when soever their state requireth it; as Popes, Emperours, and such like States.

COMMAVNDEMENT.

COMMAVNDEMENT hath diverse gestures, suting the qualitie of the thinge imposed or commaunded; as in Nero, when hee gaue commaundement for the burning of Rome; or when hee put Peter and Paule to death, turning his severe face and eies tovvardes them, vnto Dd iij.

whome he gaue the charge. The most expresse and vsual manner of commaunding, is to clitch the hande, holding out the forefinger of the righte hande towardes him that is commanded, and this is the most ordinarie maner that sterne and Maiesticall Princes vse in commanding. Fience we must confider the distinction of commandements, according to the diversitie of the things commanded. So that he which commaundeth pleasant thinges must bee represented with a merrie countenance, and pleasant and affable gestures: as in Heliogabalus when hee commanded the tables and feastes to be prepared for the curtesans of Rome, willing the to be rewarded publike. lie, and calling them his fellowe fouldiers: in like manner when you make gluttons sitting at the table; as Albinus of France, Vitellius the Roman, Lucullus &c. On the other side when one giveth commandement of sadde matters, he is fadde and melancholie; with actions voide of bouldnesse, as you must represent olde Iacob in the time of dearth, commanding his sonns to goe downe into Ægypt to provide corne; and Abraham in far more dolefull plight when he commanded his little son Isaac to ascend upon the altar that he might sacrifice him to God. But in God full of maiestie, when hee commanded our first parent Adam not to tast of the forbidden fruite of the tree of Life. Severe and terrible in Moses, when he commanded the childré of Israell to destroic the goulden calfe, and the sonnes of Levi to make that cruell flaughter which they did vppon the people; Mercifull in Christ, when he commanded so manie thousand people, to be fed with 5 loaues and 2 sithes: and most humble when hee commanded his Apostles that hee might wash their feete, and wipe them when he had donne. And so in all others wee ought diligentlie to observe who commandeth, who is commanded, and vnto what ende, and so accordinglie to give the dewe, fit, and proper actions: for it can never doe well that the one should command after one forte, and the other obey after another.

NOBILITIE.

OBILITIE exercise th gentle and curteous actions, alwaies accompanied with a certaine loftines and dignitie, so that they appeare delightfull and honorable; but with a respect, greatnesse, and severitie, wherewith a Noble man is alwaies expressed. Wherefore he must never be seen e mooving his lims with anie gesticulation, but vppon good occasion; in a worde, let him imitate all those gestures which wee attributed vnto honour.

MAGNANIMITIE.

MAGNANIMITIE (which is nothing else but a greatnes of the minde) hath boulde: readie, and stowte actions, accompanied with nobility, state, and maiestie. Besides, it maketh the countenance vigilant and magniscent

nificent, so that at one instant it breedeth seare, reverence and love in the beholder, so disposing the handes, that they be ever busied in worthy, noble, and heroicall actions, banishing all base and servile gestures. But who so delireth perfectly to learne all their other gestures, let him reade of Mexander the great, Pompey the Roman, Iulius Casar, Hanniball the Carthaginian, Charles of Loraine, Matheus Viconte, and Iames Trivultius, therefore named great, because they were magnanimous and inconquetable.

LIBERALITIE.

I BERALITIE (being altogether contrary to couetousnesse) hathat merry and cherefull lookes, worthy and watchfull actions, nothing restrained, free handes and alwaies ready to give, gratiously bestowing part of that it enjoyeth upon others.

EXCELLENCIE.

Excellentia hath somewhat grave and considerate actions, as bowing, reaching foorth, lifting vp the arme and the legge, turning the face and the body vpon some worthy and important occasion; and sometimes mooning both the head & the body together, in such wile, that whatsoever it doth, seemes to sit with due consideration.

BOVN TIE.

B O v N T IE hath cheerefull, pleasant, gentle, and gratious actions, caufing a man to turne his face towardes him with whom he talketh (be he never so vile and contemptible) without distaine, prouoking him rather to abase then exalt himselfe; so that his armes, legges and handes, together with the rest of the whole body, are not mooued with any violence, or force; but with a sweetenesse and delight to him, whom he regardeth. It is also expressed with the armes open, with the elbowe on the slanke, with handes helde vp, with the palmes forwardes, with the body and the heade somewhat inclining, and leaning more to one side, then to the other; so that the limmes may seeme to represent the quality of his milde speech.

DISCRETION.

I serer ton (being properly, a modesty in thinges) hath sweete, staied, and wise actions, sitting such as discerne betweene good and badde, true and false; wherefore they doe not condiscend vnto particular mens humors, but doe moderate and temper them: So that they Dd iiii.

are seuere, and stiffe, against the insolent, and such as resuse to satisfie that they owe; and contrariwise are placable, and gentle, to good, just, and reasonable men. Wherefore Discretion makes men threaten, and chide one another; all which motions with their lookes, are to be ordered, as occasion shall require; as in Princes and Judges, vnto whom the handling of private mens causes is committed.

MIRTH.

IRTH causeth vs to clappe our handes and laugh, in such fort as Achilles Statius fayneth in Clinias, whiles Clitofon asking counsell of him, was inflamed with the loue he bare towardes Leucippe. Be. sides, it maketh a man looke sweetely, with a kinde of action free from mufing, as being not able to hold still his feete, or settle his hand at his girdle; but being in continuall motion, turning his face suddenly upon him with whom he talketh, and consequently upwardes and sidelong, alwaies laugh-

ing, with a contentment.

And thus shall you expresse it with variety, in the people of Israell, when they came out of the bondage of Ægypt. You may also make Mirth holding the handes open, yet not turned downewardes (for that signifieth sadnesses) but staying the elbowes in their proper place, listing them up to heaven, in what forte soeuer you represent a pleasant man, either kneeling, sitting, standing, turning, or in any other action what soeuer. As whether it be an Emperour with a Lorde, a Father with his Sonne, an Husband with his Wise, one friende with another, or a Louer with his Mistresse embracing and kissing each other, you shall see them euer opening their handes, and countenances as I have noted. Wherefore, when you would expresse this affection of joy in the virgine Mary at the salutation, you must drawe her in this fort, with her handes open, her eies cast downe upon the earth, in token of humility, and her Complexion mixed with redde, a colour proper unto all that are merry.

Likewise when she was delivered of Christ, and when the three VVise men came to worshippe him; where she must be shewed sull of ioy, admiring her sonne as the cause of her so great mirth, and with an action of Maiesty in the VVise-men, who kneeling, behelde the greatnesse of the childe betweene them, whom they worshipped, being mooned with such reverence, that they durst not so much as to touch his seete with their handes; expressing in the standers by, an earnest admiration, of the adoration of the VVise-men: which thing is very well done by Gaudentius in S. Mary de pace

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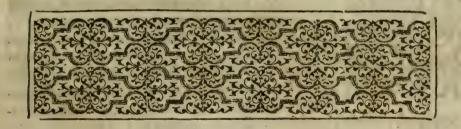
After the same manner shall you painte the Virgine Mary, when shee founde her sonne in the Temple disputing with the Doctours; as he sitteth in heauen betweene the Patriarckes and Prophettes; and when the holie Ghost descended from heaven upon him, and upon the Apostles assembled.

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affembled to gether; who ought also to bee represented full of joy and admiration though with diverse actions &c.

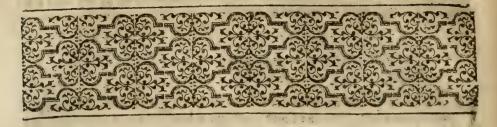
PITTY.

Pirry causeth weeping and hollowe eies; bringing the bodie by a certaine imitation, vnto the same passions wherewith it is affected. So that the mercifull man conceaueth the same passions which the poore & grieved doe. It provokes a man to giue, succour, and helpe with all humisity without any pride or lostinesse: as wee may reade of Agesilaus, Antoninus the Emperour surnamed Pius, Lewu King of France, Ioseph towardes his brethren in Agypt, the Prophet Elizeus when hee raited the childe, Iob, olde Toby when hee buried the dead, Abraham who gaue himselse wholie to entertaining of straingers, and of Agarleeing her childe in extremitie for lacke of water &c. But the example of Christ, in the redemption of mankinde may serue for all: though it appeare also in Mary, Iohn, and our Ladie towardes him. And this in general may suffice for the rules of these motions, the particulars may easilie bee drawne from the observation of the Life.



OF





OF VEHEMENT DESIRE, GRACE, BEAWTIE, COMLINES, GENTILITY, CVR.

TESIE, FLATTERING, ENTICING, ADVLA-

tion, Affection, Embracing, Kissing, Wantonnesse, Dishonestie, Feasting, Pompe, Songing, Dauncing, Games, Cheerefullnesse, Quietnesse, Delight, Sollace, and sweeter

CHAP. XIII.

EHEMENT desire, (which is an ardent longing for the thing loved) hath actions of wonder, astonishment and contemplation, in regarde of the thinge seene; as in a vaine man admiring himselfe, with a 1000. skippinges, bowinges, motions and other trickes; or in some Gallant courting his Mistres, and standing after a thousand fashions; with as manie apith gestures, prying into, and beholding all her partes, vntill the stan-

ders by espying him, laugh him to scorne: or generallie of anie person who (according to the delight hee taketh in anie thing hee doth,) reacheth out his head, as Painters vie when they revewe, and with delight looke vppon, the picture they have newlie made.

GRACE.

RACE makes a man grant all futes that are made vnto him with fauorable and delightful gestures. Besides, it makes a man receaue
gistes cheerfullie, giue rewardes willingely, bestowe withe a maiesty, requite with bounty, and obtaine all sutes with sortunate successe. In
a word, a Gratious man cannot be better represented then in the company
of Venus, from whome the Graces have their name. Moreover it makes

a man

a man accustomablely delight in entertaininge of strangers. Finally, all the best and most kinde actions, may bee called gratious, as the contrary valouelie.

BEAVVTY.

BEAUVIY hath gentle, gratious, and faire actions, and cannot bee without fairenesse of bodie, and grace in actions; wherefore, such actions are seene onelie in most absolute faire bodyes, whence they are also called beautifull; that is, compleat both in forme and motion: So that it hath verie manie forcible actions, for the obtaying of that it desireth; but especiallie by intreatie, as in Hester; by slattering, as in Thamar; and by commaundement, as in Venus to Mars, where hee saieth.

Tis onely thou that can'st dis-arme this hande.

COMELINESSE.

OMELINESSE hath sweete and prompt actions, mixed with grace, and therefore required in all thinges, as breeding admiration, which is the proper ornament of thinges, and causeth goodlie yonge men, and beautifull Virgines to seeme much more beautifull and comelie, then otherwise they would, either in regarde of their proper proportion, or other naturall complements subject to the eie. Wherefore these motions of comlinesse can hardlie shewe forth themselves, in a deformed and disproportioned bodie.

GENTILITIE.

ENTILITIE hath gratious, courteous, heroicall, and vertuous actions. VVhence Boccace fayeth that Vertue did first breede Gentilitie; and therefore it cannot take place in a base harte, though hee bee Noble, rich, and mightie by byrth. Adding moreover, that all thinges may bee lefte hereditarie, except vertue, health, and Gentilitie. Whosoever therefore can best practize Gentilitie in his speech and deedes, hee may bee esteemed most Noble.

COVRTESIE.

OVRTESTE hath bountifull, gentle, liberall, kinde, and moderate actions, making the face pleasant and gratious: whence we see these courteous people steale the affections of those whom they sue vnto, by getting such interest in them, that they wil do nothing in their presence, but that which is honest and commendable.

FLATTERING.

LATTERING by fictions and fleightes (for the better fetching ouer of him whom we defire to deceiue,) maketh a man cast his armes about the others necke, talking with him a while, as well with the hande as the mouth, moouing his head, his necke, his legges, his armes, his handes, and the rest of his body, according to his sense, to the intent hee may the more easily imprint his pleasure in the party deluded, and so obtaine his purpose. Moreouer, it makes him seele and wring the others handes, according vnto the force of the impression, kissing him in such sorte as his condition requireth, that he may the better bring him to his bent; shewing divers countenances, sometimes merry, sometimes sadde, sometimes betweene both, and oftentimes shamesaste, as the deceiver shall thinke fittest.

ENTICING.

ENTICING is properly kindenesse with flattering, which is performed by nodding, dallying, touching, sporting, clawing, and other actions both of the hand and body, as appeares in dauncing, which is performed by the vehement passion of those which are inuegled; because as the women perceive it, they lift themselves up, afterwards sooting it softly like a snaile.

ADVLATION.

DV LATTON (being properly a true picture of fayned gestures, imitating the naturall, not because it would learne them, but for her own commodity sake) hath altogether fained, counterfeit and sale actions; as appeares in him who professes them in any thing, and this not with a minde to imitate their vertues, but for this proper gaine. Moreouer, it makes him honour, teuerence & praise him, of whom he expecteth prosit, or preferment, infinuating himselfe by little and little, to get credite, under colour of submission & intire affection, which decaieth, as soone as his frend suffereth missortune and aduersity, being euer ready to turne backe with

Portune: as Encian maketh mention of a flatterer of riche Timon, when he fell from the hyest poynt of felicitie, vnto such extreame milery, that hee was constrayned to digge and delve for his necessary maintenance; vnto which purpose Ariosto writeth very well reasoning with the King of the Moores for sken of his souldiours.

But then revolts the faint and farred guest, and comes to ske and so the state of t

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A Frierron hath pure, and fincere actions full of goodnessas to embrace about the necke; kiffe, hold hands, laughings, bowings, entertainements &c. which ought to be represented in the faluration of Elizabeth and the Virgin Mary. And sometimes it must be accompanied with a kind of cheerefull and tender moane; as in to seph when hee gaue so many entertainments, shewing so many kindnesses to his brethren in Agypto the intent they might know him; coling Beniamin about the necke with a thousand kisses, and tokens of soue and kindness. The like shall you finde in all men, betweene whome there is any naturall or voluntary loue; betweene friends, Parents, man and wife, the father and the sonne; the sonne and the mother &c.

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Manketing is three-fould; honest, forcible, and wanton. Honest in Hen; a the meetings and salutations of friends and parents; wherein there is also a certaine order observed. For according to the state and condition of people, the Embracings are diverse; as betweene a great man and a meane, for he embraceth the vpper partes, and this the lower; as excellently well observeth Ariosto Cant. 18. in Norandine & Grifon, saying:

When Grifon sawe the reconciled King.
Offring, about his necke his armes to cast:
He cast off sworde, and harts malignant sting,
And lovely him below the loynes embrac't.

And in the 24. Canto.

And with bare heade, and bended knee embrac's Him (as his state requir'd) belowe the wast.

Wherefore we must be sure to keepe docorum in these embracings.

Foreible embracinges belong to wrastlers &c. as wee reade of Hereiles, Foreible. who embraced Antains so straightlie about the midle, and helde him so longe against his breast vntill his breast forsooke his bodie: and heere wee must beware, least in describing wrastlers, wee make the one holding the other so harde, that they cannot in likelihoode let goe their holde one of another: or that one lie in such subjection that hee can make noe shewe of resistance, where by reason of the oppression he vieth himselfe, hee can come in no danger of falling under.

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There is also a kinde of forcible imbracement, without resistance on the one parte; as when the Romanes tooke away the Sabine women, and Plut to carryed away Proserpina. Wherein we must shew violent, strong, and quicke actions in him that committeeth the rape; and in the party forced (according to their courage in some more; in some lesse) desperate, strugtling, weake, weeping, and fearefull actions.

Wanton.

VV anton embracines are also of divers forces, and must alwaies be expressed with this regarde, that the handes as the instrumentes thereof, doe touch the most tender partes of the body; as the eare, the lippe, the cheeke. the throate, and the &c. But if a man in embracing shall touch any other parte, as the elbowe, the knee, the thinne, the shoulder or such like a it will seeme absurde, because in them there is no delight. And heere by the waye let the Painter vnderstande, that I commende not the too broade and vacivill expressing of these lascivious actions. Wherefore they woulde bee louely, fweete, civil, and spiced with a good respect, Againe, these diverslie touching the about-named partes with their hands by turning the arme, oughte to bee diverille represented. But after what forte they (houlde bee particularly described. I meane to give no rules heere, in so much as everie man naturally knoweth what belongeth thereunto. Notwithstanding you may note this, that the eie must ever bee caste answerable to the manner of embracing expressed. For fuch as stande uppon their feete, embrace after one fathion; those which lie after another; and those which sit after a thirde. Wee must also marke whether they bee both willing. For if one consent not, in steede of embracing hee must strike, slinge abroade his armes, scratch, cry , and bite, with such like actions; of all which embracinges wee have examples in Histories. And so you shall expresse Cleopatra with M. Antonius: Lot with his daughters; Myrrha with her father, and Phabas with Leucothoe after one forte, as agreeing: Phadra with Hippolytus, Potiphars wife with Ioseph, Tereus with Philomela; and Tarquineus Superb: with Lucretia the Romane after another, as disagreeings with diverse other embracings, some forcible, fome louely. April . Man to the The state of the s

KISSING.

Is sing likewise worketh divers gestures in bodies upon diverse occasions: as if one kisses deade man; suppose his sonne, he falleth into passions of sorrow, despaire, and weeping; as to straine, quiver, and scratch; to liste up his handes, cast abroade his armes, bowe, shake, turne, wring his handes, beate, fainte, turne the eies, cry &c. all which wee may easily perceive in the liste. If the kisse bee in token of love, after the manner of the meeting of friends or parentes they kisse each others cheeke mutually: But if an inferiour kisse his better for reverence sake, then sometimes he kisseth the hand, as of Lordes; sometimes the vesture, sometimes the seete, as of the Pope, and sometimes the knee, as of the Emperour; and so sometimes men performe actions of reverence, and sometimes of ioy and curtesie.

Note.

curtesie. If it be a la scivious kisse, there wil appeare lascivious motions, either in the lippe, in the eie, or in some other parte; as embracementes, dallyings, smilings, rowling of the cie, falling, shaking, overcomming &c. There are also fained and fraudulent kisses, as of curtesanes, rustianes, and traitors, as that of Indas.

VVANTONNESSE.

TANTONNESSE hathactions answereable to her name; as wanton lookes, kinde embracings, sweete kisses; as also forcings, strivings and transformations; as those of the Gods, whereof Ovid in his Metamorphosis writeth at large. The whole ende of lascivious fresse is to performe actions tending all togither to the inflaming of those filthy desires, which are common vnto vs with beastes. Nowe because these doe most naturally raigne in women, I meane to teach in what fort they ought to bee painted. Wherefore some partes of their bodie woulde bee thewedbare, but especially those which are most apt to provoke desire: as the pappes, the tippe of their tongue in kiffing, their legges, one arme bare, but you shall not expresse them quite naked, to the ende you maie moue the greater desire of seeing that which is * covered. Whence wee underneath, finde, that the ancient represented not their Venus altogither naked and vn - him more desticovered, but a little bowing and shaddowed about the middle with a piece Faery of lawne: and by this meanes they increased the desire of beholding &c. Queene Whereof there are some remnantes yet remaining in Delos and Paphus. To- Cantralia mit infinite other lascivious actions which I might heere rehearse, or at the least point at, (although perchaunce they woulde bee necessarie for the instruction of the Painter, whom they may oftentimes stande in steede, cither to fatisfie the humors of great Princes and noble men, or else his owne private affection) thinking it better to passe them over in silence, because it is impossible to set them downe in civill and chaste tearmes. Yet least this part might seeme to be altogither defective in this my treatise, where I purpose expressly to mention all things appertaining to this Arte, I will refer the reader only to two places of sufficient authors; whence he may learne how the lascivious actions both of men and women, ought to be expressed. The one is the amorous story of Chripho and Leucippe, first written in Greeke by Achil: Statius; but translated into lattin by S. Hanniball Cruceus, Secretary to the senate of Millane a very learned man. The other is M. Sperone. in his first dialogue of Loue.

DISHONESTY.

ISH ONEST Yhath impure, wicked, shameful, &infamous actios, which ought not to be vsed at any time, or in any place; whereof (because they confift only in discovering of those parts which nature bids vs cover, & in co-Ee ij.

mitting those abominable filthinesses, for the which the wrath of God fellfrom heaven vpon men, consuming their houses with fire, from the which Lot had respit to slie, but his wife became a piller of salt,) I will say no more.

FEASTING.

EASTING hath distinct actions. Whence we reade that the priester called Salij vied to daunce in honour of Mars, whence also they tooke their name. Some of the Indians were wont to daunce at the setting of the Sunne; and the people of Israell celebrated a feast when they worthipped the Golden calfe, which they adored insteede of God, with dauncing, sporting, eating, and the sound of diverse instrumentes: and wee Christians ought to vie still & devout actions in praising God, and yeelding him most harty thankes for all his benefites bestowed upon us. In the feasts of Hymenaus God of Marriage, men exercise feastings, dallyings, musicke, dauncing, sporting, kissing, and such like, according to the customes of the people. For the Germane embraceth, the Frenchman kisseth, the Italian daunceth, and toucheth, and the Spaniarde walketh discoursing of loue.

I have founde this note of the varietie of their loves in these verses, which I thought good to adde. Aquicke and nimble girle delightes the French,

VV hich quickely will be brought wnto his bent:

The amorouf et d, the faire and louely wench,

The haughty Spaniarde better doth content:

Atimerous maide the Italians love doth quench,

VV hich at the first affault will not relent:

The Germane likes the bolde and frolicke dame,

That him provokes with kifes voide of shame.

But this may suffice, that in feastings there ought to bee no melancholie, sadde, or pensiue actions; but all ful of ioy and mirth. There are also other actions of Feasting; as in those which exult with ioy, at the newes of some good or prosperous successe in victorie &c. vpon which accidents, the motions must be represented sometimes with more festivity and mirth, and sometimes with lesse, according vnto the importance of the accident.

POMPE.

Pomes hath glorious, magnificent and maiesticall actions, full of pride and distaine, belonging vnto such as are better set out then other mens it appeareth in braue and princely actions.

SINGING.

Singing hath actions sometimes more sharpe, sometimes more slatte, according to the sharpenesse of stanesse of the voices. For we see that Musicke sometimes causeth a man to blow vp. the cheekes, sometimes to

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dilate them, and sometimes to draw them in; sometimes to thrust forth the lippes, sometimes to rowle the eie lasciviouslie, sometimes it makes the countenaunce looke stedsastly, sometimes it inflames the face, and sometimes not. Which diversity of motion is caused, not only by the varietie of the notes and tunes of the voice, but also according to the difference of the dispositions of the Singers: who accordingly as they have their naturall instruments better disposed then others, doe sing, some more easily, and some more painefully. We must also marke the motions of such as heare it, who are sometimes mooved to surie, and rage; as wee reade of Alexander the Greate, that when his Musician sounded the Phrygian note hee was wonderfullie incited to battaile; sometimes to Melancholie; sometimes to mirth; sometimes to continencie, and sometimes to other affections; as wee finde in ancient writers. Wherevpon also they have appropriated an especiall kinde of Musicke to each of the affections.

And because I see many erre herein, I will give the reader this much Observa co vnderstande, that in drawing one sounding of a winde-instrument, (as an Angell) hee oughte so to bee drawne, that his cheekes seeme to swell more, then when hee did not spende his breath in blowing the instrument; as representing the action hee hath in hande; as excellently well observed Michaell Angelo in the Angels, in his last judgement sounding their trumpets. And Mantegna in his Bacthanals in him which blewe the two bagge-pipes, and in the Tritons founding their trumpets, which are extante in printe. But who hath not either hearde or reade, that Minerva practizing vpon a time to winde the cornet, beganne to looke blub-cheeked, whereat shee being ashamed, threw away her cornet? And that young Alcibiades blowing a pipe, or some such instrumente while Socrates looked on him, and marked that after hee had made an ende of playing his cheekes were swolne, and his face alrogither diffigured, his eies finking into his heade, and his eie-liddes shrineling, in like fort cast it away?

DAVNCING.

Avnerng is of as many sortes, as there are diversities of Nations and people in the worlde, and consequently it causeth different and distinct motions. For the Germane daunceth and embraceth in divers manners; the French-man kisseth and coleth, holding arme in arme; The Savoiard inclineth towardes the musicke lastiviouslie, doing reverence, and afterwardes leapeth, sometimes strongly, sometimes plainely, and afterwardes he is embraced, and being embraced capereth withall; The Spaniard walkes hande in hande, discoursing of loue; the Flemming daunceth partelie rounde, and partely leapeth backevvardes; the Italian like a stage-player leapeth strongelie, turning himselse aboute, and waying vppon the legges, liftinge him-selse vppe aloste, makinge speede

speede in his gate, and then relenting; hee hath his observations of the Cinquea-passe, of 7.9. 12. and 15. which are applied vnto the soundes, large or briefe, flat or sharpe, alwaies with pleasant actions; as heedefull carriage of the bodie, bowings, reverence and such like baites of Loue. There are also other actions of Dauncing vsed; as nimblenesse, swiftnesse, agilitie, & scenicall gesture, as of those who are represented with weapons in their hands going roud in a ring, capering skilfully, shaking their weapons after the manner of the Morris, with divers actions of meeting &c: all which are applied vnto the divers soundes of the Cymbal, or other instruments in vse. Others hanging Morrisbelles vppon their ankles, with a wonderfull strayning, voide of scenicall and decent actions, vse all the strength, gesture, and motion of their bodie, which seemeth a verie strange sight, to such as are vnaccustomed to this kinde of exercise.

GAMING.

our Fencers, may be seene. And these ought to be evel knowen to a good Painter, to the ende that in representing suche Games, as running at Tilte, or Barriers, the single Combate &c. hee may have the discretion most lively to expresse the actions of offence and defence, force and distresse, distinguishing the stronger from the weake: avoiding the error of some; who in setting out a battaile betweene souldiours, describe them without any kinde of rage; as Cain slaying Abell with a kinde of saintnesse, which in likelihood was not able to kill him. These and the like actions are seene in wrastling, buffetting, &c. In which we see the strivers catch holde, and sweate, differing betweene themselves with stronge, fierce, and terrible, actions.

There are also Idle Games; as cardes, dice, tables &c. in which according vnto the successe and Fortune (who there seemeth to turne and returne her wheele more swiftlie) there appeare in the gamesters actions of doubt, ioy, surie, seare, violence, despaire, heavinesse; and sometimes of death. There might much more bee saied of Games, and their diverse actions: (for I haue read how, and with what kinde of actions the olde Gracians and Romanes were wont diversely to expresse (besides infinite others) the games called Olympici, Pythii, Nemei, Gymnici, Funerales, Scenici, Lupercales, Circences, Saturnales, Equestres; also the games of wrastling, balle, dice, chesse, together with that of Neoptolemus the sonne of Achilles:) but it woulde bee to longe, and little appertaining to our present purpose: wherefore let this suffice.

CHEEREFVLNES.

HERREY VINES hath such kinde of actions as are attributed vnto Feasting; saue that, that proceeding from lascivious pleasure, produceth more, and vehementer actions.

QVIETNES.

vietnesse likewise hath actions full of ioy and mirth, according to the delire obtained; it is also a resemblance of stilnesse, peace, and moderate rejoycing.

DELIGHT.

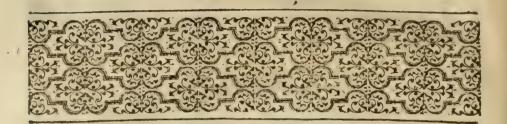
ELIGHT causeth the partes of the bodie, to follow that pleasure which the mind taketh in anything, whether it be good or bad; wherfore, wee see those who take delight in the company of women (as Sardanapalus did) ever to withdrawe themselves aside; with lascivious, wanton, and effeminate actions: those which delight in bloud; to be ever cruell, sierce, and threatning in their actions, with a discainefulleie, and their hande ever uppon their weapon: such as are religious; to stay a good while behind in the Church with milde, quiet, and melancholie gestures. And so running over all the rest; it will plainly appeare, that all the outward actions, are conformable to the inward inclinations and privie affections. Which thing the most prudent Visses pondering, invented a waie to discover Achilles, although hee were under the habit of a Virgine (amongst Lycomedes Daughters,) offering him a sworde and a buckler, which the young man immediatile tooke, being of a Martiall disposition &c.

SOLACE.

So LACE is two-folde; either for our owne contentment, or in scorning others. In the first wee dally with, iest at, and with pretty frumpes take downe sometimes one, sometimes another &c. which can neuer be perfectly represented, but in those who are at our commaundement. In the second weevse disguised and mocking actions: as wrying the nose, the mouthe, and the eies, plucking the garmentes, colouring the face, spitting in the sace, as the sewes did to Christ, powring of water upon an others heade as Xantippe did on Socrates, laughing, and as the Prouerbe is far le To set a fig fiche &c. wherein only base pesaunts, and grosse gesters exercise themsel. by one. yes, as beeing unfitt for men of the better sorte.

SVVEETNES.

WEET NES finallie (in some measure to sweeten and abate the tediousnesse of this long chapter) makes the limines hang loose, slagging, and languishing, yet not altogether without vigor, but as it were without spirit and sense &c.



OF VVISEDOME, CRAFTINES,

MALICE, WITTINES, DECEITE, THEFT,

HONESTY, MODESTY, IDLE-NES, AND EXERCISE.

CHAP. XIIII.



Isenome breedeth in a man graue, flayed, and sober actions, but diverslie, according to the diversitie of the artes and sciences where-abouts it is imployed, attributing vnto each his most apte and convenient gestures; so that by them you may easilie discerne, the diverse pointes of wisedome. Now these actions of gravity, stayednesse and maiestie, appertaine vnto Oratours, Philosophers, Divines, Prophets, &c. vnto

whome if you should apply the motions of ignorance, which are quite contrary therevnto, it were most absurd. wherefore, you shall never see them throwe abroad their armes either standing, or sitting, nor yet their legges now vp, now downe, like stage-players; nor yet strayne their bodyes like as wrastlers are wont to doe, or laugh dissolutelie or turne their bodies like Nymphes; or exercise any other gestures not bee-seeming their Profession. But they require rather, to bee made with a bent of the browe tempered with severitye and gravity, holdinge in their handes, eyther tables or some booke sometimes placing their handes

handes vppon their beardes prettily sett out of order, in token of contemplation, as Polidore vsed in his Priestes and Sages; and M: Angelo most iudiciously in his admirable Moses, on the tombe of Pope Iulius in Rome at S. Peters in Vincola; as also in the vaulte of the Chappel in the Vaticane. (where he wrought the last judgement) in the Prophet Ieremy, in whome he so placed his right hand wrapped in his bearde, that it expressed the greater gravitie in him. But it were supersuous for mee to reckon vp all his workes, wherein hee hath most divinelie represented this gravitie; infomuch as hee seldome or never omitted it; when the worke required it. Ra: Vrbine also hath donne the like in the Vaticane, in that famous historie of the agreement betweene Divinitie and Philosophie, where the differences betweene the wife men doe appeare more and lesse; so that you may without anie other gesture, most evidentlie distinguishe the Mathematician from the Philosopher, and the Divine from them both &c. a thinge of noe small admiration. In like manner, the actions of wisedome are ever correspondent in all other artes: as in sword-players more sierce, stowte, boulde, and readie for the offence or defence. In Actors more voluble, nimble, quicke and deliver. In Princes more noble, honorable, wittie, and maiesticall &c-

CRAFTINES.

RAFTINES hath malicious, warie, fore-casting, and wittie gestures, as shewing a certaine grace and decorum, in whatsoever it doth aboue other ordinarie men; so sitting all her actions vnto her purpose, that shee may bring it to as good passe as is possible. Whence we see those crastic fellowes neuer to exceede in anie gestures of the minde, but rather to bee remisse, milde and gentle in all things, and exceeding sull of meditation and Arte; so that they never laugh much, nor stand melancholie, but indifferent betweene both, happilie effecting all their matters, as we reade of Vlyses amongst the Grecians, of whome it is written, that he was aswel inwardly in minde, as outwardly in countenance, sharpe and witty: whence that Painter did very well, whoe first represented trewe dissimulation and crafte in him.

Note.

CMALICE.

Atice hath actions full of fraud and falsehood; as to looke steddilie vppon another mans eies, and that so warilie and heedfullie, as if it would through them prie into his verie inward and most secret affections; to the intent, that diligently observing them and the rest of his speeches and actions, it may by this meanes obtaine her purpose. Of which sorte are Parasites and all such as live vppon the spoile of other men: which, and such like sleights, as often as they fall out right to their minde, they cunninglie

cunninglie take holde of, diligentlie observing all opportunities for their best advantage.

WITTIMES.

ITTIMES hath wife, remisse, and sometimes doubtfull actions, proper vnto such as in presence of their servantes will dissemble something they know alreadie, revealing it afterwards in such sorte, that they make them believe they knew their secret intentes; whereby they oftentimes blushing and being ashamed, bewray themselves and suffer condigne punishment. Of which disposition we shall finde many Princes towards their Courtyers, who will stand aboue in some close place, to marke and observe, dissembling their intents; to the ende that either by chaunce or cunning they may oftentimes make a benefit, by diminishing & increasing, remitting and intending their actions.

DECEITE.

ECETTE hath warie, wise, and malicious actions, full of falshood and deceite; as Iuglers, bawdes, Players, Iesters, harlots and the like, vieto doe vppon the sudden in all their dealings. Whose intent is nothing els, whiles they everkeepe a man occupied with some other matter, but to steale, choppe, and change, talking as well with their handes as their tounge, at the same instant; with infinite gestures, and sleightes of speech. Besides, the cast of their eie is sweete, stedsast, sharpe, and sit to deceaue vppon all advantages. Moreover, they will seeme sad and merrie at the same instant; with a thousand such like gestures, which a man may observe by him selfe everie foote, with a little attention; but especiallie in such as sollowe the Court, who sayning iournies, tell how they were set vppon and robbed, or how they were vppon ielousie drie beaten, or fayning themselves iocond and merrie, with kinde vsage and iestes, doe deceive and robbe simple, improvident, and credulous solkes.

THEFTE.

HEFTE makes mens eies open & readie for all matters, their hands at libertie, and readie to performe their purpose, musing and looking an other waie when they are in company, as if they durst not for modesty looke vpon any man. Oftentimes it performeth base & searefull actions, causing a man to change his colour apparantly, whereby many are discovered & knowe, for theeues. Againe on the cotrary side, it causeth terrible murthering, insolent, & sierce actions, making men ready, nimble & quicke in performance of althings; as we reade of Achan in stealing away the praie of Ierico: of Autolycus son to Mercury, of Cacus who inhabited the Aventine hill; of Simon and Heliodorus in the temple of Ierusalem.

HONES,

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TONEST 12 hath gracious, humble and modest actions; as to behold another reverentlie, not to throwe her clothes abroad, but most warilie to hide the immodest partes, as the brestes, the legges, the Note. shoulders &c. eschewing lascivious, lewde, and vnseemelie gestures: allwaies standing composed, and wholie intent to that shee hath in hand (10 it bee no dishonest matter) as the manner of men and women of good birth and liberall education, is. So that the Painter ought to represent them with gestures voide of all shewe of impudencie, ryout, and pride. when soever he is to paint them in anie historie; as in Sulpitia, Virginia the Romane, Marie the lifter of Moses when amongst the other Hebrew Virgines, thee stoode singing and praysing God for the recoverie of the liberty of the people of Israell, all the Virgines and Martyres; but especiallie the Virgine Marie; who is notwithstanding oftentimes represented by most abfurd and groffe Painters, with wanton attire and gestures, looking uppon those which behold her, in such sorte, as they vie to make other Virgines: a thing most worthie of severe reprehension. Wherefore these Virgines woulde be made bending their eies towardes the earth with all possible modestie and shamefastnesse. Which ought also to be relembled in men somtimes, as in Ioseph the ancient Hebrew, in the Saintes, especiallie Saint John the Evangelist, who was no lesse renowned for this vertue, then hee was gratious in the fight of Christ, the fountaine of honesty it selfe.

MODESTY.

TODESTY hath discreet, temperate, moderate, and mannerlie a-Ctions, as never in anie place, vppon anie occasion to discover any affection or passion of the minde. Wherefore it never falleth into terrible or fearefull gestures, nor yet into too pleasant, but keeperh a sweete remisse mediocritie. And you shall ever see such men circumspect, and gratious with a certaine equanimitie (common to fewe) which makes them more gracious and acceptable vnto others; as on the other fide, those who are immodest; are vnto all men most odious and hatefull.

PEACEABLENESSE.

The EACEABLENESSE hathquiet and still actions; making men southfull and melancholie, of which forte are such as are never busied about anie thing, nor desire anie dealings amongst men, but stand clinging themselues together, in solitarie, idle and melancholie sorte, like a stone or Mole, their chiefe actions are, bowinges, praying, almes deedes &c.

vsed by religious men; whose contraries are sturres and rumors, which are eschewed of all students, who with-drawe themselves from the concourse of people, into some honest sollitarie place for the profession of vertue and าร์ ครับการ์ ที่ 1 (คร.สาทาร์) หรือบระยะ เกรีย (คร.สาทาร์) การสาทาร์ (คร.สาทาร์)

EXERCISE.

Xxx cxx hath divers actions according vnto the divertitie of the exercises; & as the mindes and intentions of the exercisers vary, such also is the variety of their actions betweene themselves. Wherefore Mercurie the auctor and father of all exercises ai fayned by the Poets to be the messenger of the Gods, because he is apt to participate, and attaine vinto all their particular affayres by reason of his exercise and motion. These motions in generall are wittie, speedie, patient, readie, carefull, and diligent; but appeare especiallie in students, and such as delight in Painting, who must be resembled much sought vinto, practicall, sitting, quiet, diligent and without sturres; in Musitians according to the quality of their Musicke; either blowne vp in the face, or distorted, wanton, graue, apt to rife, fall and haften, according to the diversities of the tunes and concords of the lenlible harmony.

In Carvers, and all fuch as are conversant in the trades which require

much paines and labour, they must alwaies be represented with actions of heate and sweating. Whence wee must drawe this argument, besides manic others; that the fe artes are of lesse reckoning and estimation then others, because they require much bodilie labour, so that even amongst these, the arte of Carving is more excellent then the rest, because it commeth nearest vnto Painting, imitating naturall things as that also doth. Concerning which point, Leonard Vincent discoursing at large in his elaborate discourse hath written to Lodovick Sforza Duke of Milane, vppon the controversie whether Painting or Carving were more excellent (which my selfe read some yeares since) affirmeth: that looke how much more paines & labour one arte requireth then an other fomuch the baser & of lese reckoning it us. Wherfore these kinde of Arts doe much more participate the grofnes of matter then the purenes of imaginatió & cóceit: Infomuch as the conceite of the mind can hardlie be expressed, where it is interrupted by the intermedling of some thing cotrarie there vnto. As may be evidently seene in Carving, where the marble, iron, and other matters of bodily labour are interposed; which being enemies vnto studie, a man can never apply so seriouslie, but by this meanes it will ever bee interrupted, and the worke, for the most parte, prooue lesse faire and perfect, then that which the artificer before hee tooke in hand his carving toole, had first conceived in his imagination.

Whence it is evident that this Arte of Carving, being necessarilie incumbred with stone, labour &c. (all which are enemies vnto contemplation) is much inferiour to Painting, the practize whereof is most farre from all flurres and toyles of groffe matter: which is helde to bee one of the pro-

Leo: Vincent of Painting and Carving. See the Pro.

perties of liberal artes & sciences. Moreover Painting is much more apt the any other arte to expresse the formes of whatsoever can be imagined, be it never so straunge in conceite & Idea. For the Painter may with-draw himselfe into some quiet and still place, where being free from trouble, he may quietly with his pen or pencell, expresse whatsoever he hath conceaved in his head, there perfitting it, without any defect of matter, or other hinderace And because Carving chose Plasticke (which the ancient termed the sister of Painting, as being an arte leffe subject voto noise and labour of stones) for her Mother, to the intentit might be as a guide and patterne vnto her, by preserving her models of earth, (because they come neerer to imagination) which being afterwards measured by the compasse, might the better be transferred unto the marble, in the shape of a man, an horse &c. therefore we may conclude, that Carving is nothing else but a painefullimitation of Plasticke, and a practize of cutting of stones, with the spending of much labour and time; and the more perfection it attaineth vinto, the neerer it commeth vnro Plasticke; which because it aswell participateth proportion, composition of the muscles & the lineaments (though without fore shortning) as Painting, it is called her Sister, fothat Painting is Aunte unto Carving, and Sifter unto Plasticke: wherein because my telfe haue ever taken great pleasure and delight, (as may appeare by diverse whole horses, legges and heads of my doing: asalfo of mens heads; as Chriftes and our Ladyes, whole children, and peeces, together with divers heads of olde folkes) I may fafely fay, there is great facility and furtherance therein towardes the arte of Drawing and Painting. For in Plasticke you may make for example: a round ball or Ipheare; & in drawing you may make a circle with the compasse vppon a plaine, and afterwards thaddow and lighten the same with reflexions and thaddowes, refembling a round body uppon a plaine, like unto that wrought in Plastik. And hence you may perceive the oddes betweene emboffing, and working on a plaine. For indeed if we shall consider Painting as it maketh vse of the Perspectives, by orderly representing of lengthnings, and shortnings, the umbers, and eminencies of the lims, questionlesse there is required so great patience & judgment that thereby the Arte must needes be made most distincult. Which point wilbe most cleere, if wee shall on the other fide confider, how the paines herein required is recompenced and mittigated with the great delight we take, in beholding a thing fo drawen vppon a paper or wall; as if it were naturall. Wherfore, in my imal judgment this is the most divine and excellent arte in the world, insomuch as it maketh the workeman feeme a Demi-god. And thefe are Leon:owne words vpon which matter he is very copious; which notwithstading, here I thought good to let downe, purpoling to dispute of these Artes, to the intent that the authority of so great a Philosopher, Architect, Painter, and Carver (being as well able to teach as to worke) might deliner fuch out of errour 25 were otherwise affected towardes these two most worthy Artes.

Note:



OF CREDVLITY, DREAD, HVMI-

LITY, INCONSTANCY, SERVICEABLE-NES, REVERENCE, SHAMEFASTNES, MERCY, AND SIMPLICITY.

CHAP. XV.



H = gestures and actions of Credulity, are primarily in regard of some thing wherein men put confidence; as in God, Idols, and other thinges which the Gentiler worshipped; & somtimes in men themselves. Wherfore, infomuch as the kindes hereof are divers according vnto the diversity of the trust and considence reposed, the actions thereof doe also differ, according vnto the subject thereof. Wherefore the ancient ge-

stures of Adam, Abel & the rest before the floud in presence of their facrifices, were (in likely-hood) after another forte, then Noes were, when he and and his family going out of the Arke, offered a facrifice of thanksgiving vnto God. And that likewise differing from this, which Iacob and his sonnes vsed; when in the way as they went to Agypt, To seph prayed vnto God with a facrifice. In like manner we must suppose, that the doubtfull and pittifull actions of the vnhappy Israelites, when they prayed to God to be de-

livered out of Pharaos cruell bondage, differed from the former.

So likewise did those of the same people, when they worshpped the golden calfe; and afterwardes also, those which escaped the cruell slaughter, with greate feare and wonder beholding the Tabernacle and Moses, vppon whome the glory of God shone. The like we may conceaue of the credulous and continent actions of young Tobie, for three whole nightes together kneeling with his new spouse, of the 3 children in the burning furnace; S. Margaret in the vessell of oile; of S Katherine on the wheele: and other Martyres, who according vnto the fervency of their affection and devotion, gaue outward tokens of their faith. From which also those of the Papistes differ, which they vie in the presence of the body of Christ, the Saints, reliques, Crucifix &c. where they fasten their eies vppon these thinges

chinges wherevnto they pray, with divers gesticulations sull of humility and devotion: sometimes touching them with their singers; sometimes kissing them; and sometimes reverently bowing vnto them. Besides, vpon the confidence they have in the speech of such men, they stande amazed in their presence, not mooving a iot, except it be with some such sleight motions, as are correspondent vnto those of him, in whome they repose this considence; as in a Preacher, before whome they will stand attentively, sixing their eies vppon him, imitating all his motions and gestures; or in presence of some holy men, who have restored some vnto their health, or done some other miracle, which they stand wondering at, all assonished and amazed with the opinion they have of their holines: by which opinion also, oftentimes it hath come to passe, that they have obtayned the reviving of the dead; as we read how Paulrestored Eutychus to life, and divers others; together with many other strange wonders wrought by S Peter, all which are signes of credulity.

DREAD.

Read hath actions (besides those I touched before cap. 9.) of palenes and trembling; as if a man fainted, & did hardly draw his breath, as in Adam and Eue when the Angel draue them out of Paradise. Besssides, it sufferest not a man to be stoute in his owne desence; but vrgeth him to turne backe his face over his shoulder, and run awaie for desence; or is the cannot slie, to drawe in himselfe for avoiding harme. Which braue Cavalieres, that stand uppon the tearmes of honour will not doe; choosing rather a glorious death, then an ignoble life. This passion is divers in malefactors, when they are arraigned before a Judge, and there expect their sentence. Where you shall see them stand wresting their necke, and hanging the head downewards, with heavy eies cast downe uppon the earth, much complaying, with seare and dread of the deserved punishment hanging over their heads.

HVMILITT.

VMILITY hath 2 fortes of actions; the one mild, gentle, and courteous; the other base & abiect. The former appeareth in such, as being in honour shew themselves courteous and affable, who are ever ready of their owne good nature, to helpe others; preferring men to places of dignity, according to their desert, without any corrupt consideration. All which belong to Christ properly, as he rod vpon the asse, & when he washed his Apostles feete. As likewise vnto Iohn Bapt ist towards Christ, when he bap tized him in Iordan: vnto Mary Magdalen whe shee lying prostrate, washed his feete with her teares: vnto the Centurio whe he requested Christ that he would vouch afte to come vnto his house &c. as the ancient Fathers, in respect of the graunde Patriarche Abraham; when God appearing vnto

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him fayed, that he meant to make good tryall of him, because he should become the father of many Nations. The latter is seene in those, who give themselves over to base matters, which nothing appertaine to their state and condition; as Nero when in his owne person he carried uppon his shoulders some of the earth of Ist hmus: Vitellius when he gave himselfe to belly-cheere; and especially Sardanapalus, when he sate spinning with his minions in a secret roome of his Pallace.

INCONSTANCY.

Nonstancy hath changeable, variable, and vncertaine actions, having no stayednesse in them; as in those, who in a little space performe diverse actions with the hands, the seete, the legges, the armes, and head; as knowing not how to behaue themselves otherwise, then with joyinge, laughing, finging, and skipping in new-fangled forte, croffing al the actions of constancy, which are vsed by discreet and considerate men. And these are proper to drunckards, fooles, madde men, and cocke-braynes: all which, if they should be represented with other actions then these I have mentioned, doubtleffe they would not feeme fuch as they are: as for example, if Saul should bee expressed in another sort of action, hee woulde not seeme to be possessed of a Divell, as indeede he was, when he heard David play on his harpe, at the found whereof the spirite left him. Now dauncing (excepting onely luch as is graced by the aptnesse of Musicke) is the fittest gesture that a soole may be represented with. Wherfore you may be bould to thinke him simple, that daunceth so farre of from the Musicke, that in likelihoode hee cannot heare it.

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SERVICEABLE NESSE.

ERVICEABLENESSE hath diligent, ready and vigilant actions, alwaics having an eie to that it hath in hand; as appeareth in the waiting-maids of Semiramis, when shee heard the newes of Babylon, all which stoode busie aboute her, readie to doe her service; one with a glasse and a combe, another with her chayne and iewells; a thirde with other necessaries, plaiting her haire, which sometimes is founde loose. But because the gestures of Servants, are as many as the function where-abouts they are imploied; as to decke their Maister and Mistris, to put on their garments, their shoes, carry their housholde stuffe, and serue at the table: I will not stand upon this point, which would be too long; holding it sufficient to put the Painter in minde, that when soever he representeth a servitor in any point of service, he bee carefull to give him gestures sitting that worke hee is about, & not looking diverse waies from that his hands are doing: in which kinde of action, you shall finde diverse pictures of Christ washing his Apofiles feete, where they make him looking quite an other way: divers pictures of M: Magdalen, and our Lady washing themselves in bathes: where shee which

which washeth, is made looking awaie as if shee cared not for looking on the place where her hands were busie in washing &c. of the other Maries, which Supported the Virgine Mary, founding before Christ vpon the crosse; which are oftentimes made with merry countenances, fo that it seemes they little regarded her, casting their heads either vpwards, or the other way from that they doe. In consideration whereof, they ought alwaies to carry their eie & hande together; & yf the matter to be represented be of any importance, to make their whole body expresse it in eache parte, but especially where the chiefest force & efficacie lieth; if of Mirth, to be very pleasant, but with such respective moderatio, that their laughter exceede not which liberty is granredonely vnto the Master or Better: if of Melancholy, that they feeme fad. & heavy; with weeping & lamétation, accompanying their Mailters griefe with their owne misfortune. And thus to conclude, according to the principal effectes, we ought to give vnto each figure his fit action and gesture; alwaies provided, that the Servant haue not more gravity then the Maister, for that belongs vnto him alone; omitting it in the Servant, according to his degree as being inferiour. And by this meanes, your pictures will carry a decorum, and this is one of the most important observations in the whole Arte. For you shall never finde any history, where there will not bee vie of the actions of Servants; as in that of the 3 wisemen &c. Wherefore, let no man thinks this ynworthy the consideration.

REVERENCE

Everence inducetha man, to performe al those actions towards on thers, which may make them feeme effeemed, acceptable, in reputation &c. as to doe obeyfance, give place, befeech with humilitie, and such like ceremonies of reverence, free from arrogancye and pride, wherewith we see men vsuallie represented, before those which require such grace and favour; as we read of the King of Sodome, who vnderstanding of the greate Victorie which Abraham had obtayned against the fine Kinges; met him on the waie with greate reverence, vppon his knee, intreating him to give him the prisoners, which those conquered Kinges had before carried awaie from Sodome: and of the destressed sonnes of Iacob; who, that they might not returne home againe to their father, except Beniamin were leste behinde for an hostage, did in most reverent, submisse, and humble wise intreate Ioseph, that hee woulde lette him goe: of Hester, whoe with great humility and reuerence presented herselse before King Inashuerosh, intreating for Mardocheus life: the Queene of Saba; who to heare the wisedome of Salomon came vnto him in most reverent sorte, offeringe greate presentes &c. the three wifemen of the East, which came from the farthest partes of the worlde, to see and worshippe CHRIST, presenting themselves before him vppon their knees, and offering vnto him Golde, Frankingen fe, and Mirrhe. and of their Servants before their Maisters, and CHRIST himselfe. F f iii Which which thing through negligence is omitted, and seldome recalled; But I passe over this errour, with infinit others that are daylie committed in this Arte, and yet never observed, by reason of the small perceverance men haue in the worth, of the exactnesse of these matters, never examining any thing, but such grosse absurdities as every man may see.

SHAMEFASTNESSE.

Wherefore shamefast men are searefull and circumspect, with a kinde of modestie and honestie. And it is most proper vnto virgines, who are seene naked uppon the sudden; as Andromeda when shee being bound to the rocke, was seene of Perseus, as * Achilles Statius describeth her; and Ariosto in the person of Angelica expresseth this shamefast nesse, where he speaketh of her being bound naked to a rocke, saying:

VV hen as the Damsell cast her shamefast cie, On her faire body, which did naked lie.

And Cant. 10.

Thus saide shee blushit, seeing those parts were spide; The which (though faire) yet nature striues to hide.

So that the ancient woulde have shamefastnesse described by castinge downe the eie; and therefore they painted Venus naked in this sorte, as Lambine noteth, on a place of the 3 satyre of Horace lib. 1. And Leonard Vincent observeth the same in Leda, whome hee maketh naked with a swan in her lappe. bashfully casting downe her eies. But (to omit other histories,) as casting the eies vpwards and about is a signe of audacity, and impudencie; so to cast them downe is a token of fearefullnesse and shamefastnesse. And this carriage of the eies, accompanied with the rest of their bodie, ought to be vied of children towards their parents. And in this sorte ought the Virgine Marie to be expressed, when the Angell saluteth her; and in all her other actions

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Exer hath compassionate and pitisfull actions, causing a man to borrowe a kinde of affection from the poore and afflicted, mooving them to take commisseration on them by shewing a sowre, pale and woeful countenance, with other sorowfull and afflicted actions, as heavie cheere, weeping, bowing downe the head, turning the necke, reaching out the hand, spreading abroade the armes &c. all which expresse the misery which they finde. Wherfore, in mercifull men mirth and laughter are quite extinguished; who ought to be represented like Martha, earness and hospitall, who ysed to minister vnto the necessities of such as were sicke

MERCY.

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Lib.3.pag, 52. in Eng.

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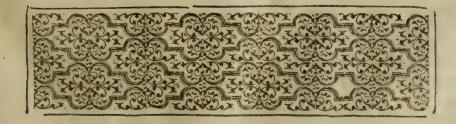
ficke and diseased in her house, mooved therevnto by pure compassion; besides manie other in the olde Testament; after the fashion of S. Eligius, of Charity, and Pity, which vie to be painted in religious places and Hofbisals; as that which Bernardine Lovinus painted vppon the gate of the Hofpitall of Charity in Milane: wherein, although he haue expressed the forme of a young woman with a sweete face and merry cheere, which ought to be a grave matrone in shewe, in whome mercy and pity should be an-Iwerable vnto that worthy name of age: yet in the rest, hee hath verie well expressed the poore belowe dismembred, crooked, haltinge, ragged and torne in most singular manner &c. There is also an admirable Charity done by Andrea del Sarto for Franciscus Valesius. King of Fraunce, with littell children about her, whome shee comforteth with all possible love & pity.

SIMPLICITIE.

IMPLICITIE hathpure, faire, and free actions; as may bee seene in children, and young Virgines, voide of all malice, and are therefore merry, bathfull, and quicke, without any feeling of wisedome or gravity; holding in their hand and playing with apples, balles, cattes, dogs, birds, fowles, &c. Wherein wee must be careful, that wee fall not into the errour, of making children doing that which they are not capable of: as to Observe reade, play on instruments, or any thing which is not incident into their yeares. Wherefore, observing this wee shall easily be able to represent in them the true childifhnesse; by crossing of their legges, turning of their bodies, bowing the head, with the finger in the mouth &c. Which I omitte for brevity lake; thinking it sufficient to speake onely of one other kinde of simplicity, wherby purity, & the loyaulty of the minde is shewed; as for example; it is reported of Apelles that hee excelled as much in simplicity of nature, as in skill. And of late workemen Ra. Vrbine, Gandentius &c.

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OF





OFPAINE, VVONDRING, DEATH,

FOLLY, RVSTICITY, DESPAIRE, TROV-BLESOMENES, HAREBRAINNES, PA-TIENCE AND LVNACY

CHAP. XVI.



Avino intreated in generall, and in particular, of the naturaliand accidentall motions & actions of the boady, proceeding originally from the minde; now it remained that I lay downe the particular gestures of the accidentall passions and apprehensions, which I could not handle under those generali rules; and surely these are of no lesse moment then the rest, for such as desire to proceede orderly in their pictures, imitating

the truth of the life, as their best patterne. Now the first of these passions is Paine.

PAINE.

· Lib.3.Engl.

Parme, according to the torment a man indureth, enforceth the bodie to actions of forowe. Which * Achilles Stations describing in the perfon of Prometheus bound to the rocke, with the Vulter tearing out his liver, saith; that he drewe in his belly and his breast, gathering together his thighes for very griese. For he still invited the birde anewe to his liver, & his soote on the cotrary side being streatched forth below, strained the sinewes vnto the top of the singers, expressing the griese of his whole body; with drawing in his eiebrowes, strayning his lips, and the wing his teeth. Besides, it causeth a man to inwrap his body after divers sathions, turning his eies &c. as in those that have taken poison, or bin bitte with a serpent; which was most excellently expressed, by those three worthy Rhodian Painters, E-gisander, Polidorus, and Athenodorus in that samous Laocoon with his sonnes, where one picture sheweth Painefull, the second Dying, and the thirde Compassionate actions: which worke is to bee seene this day

day in Bel-veder at Rome. Not much differing from these, should Saint Sebastians actions be, when he was shot to death; Saint Steuens when he was ftoned; and Saint Peters, when he was crucified with his heeles vpward; and generally, the other Martyres; whose gestures ought to bee correspondent vnto the manner of their torture: for the fire causeth one motion, as in Saint Laurence; the sword another, as in Saint Bartholmew, and so in the rest. Whence it commeth to passe, that in those which suffer punishment and are pained, you shall see so greate variety of pulling in the lims, throwing abroade the armes, knitting of the browes, turning and shutting of the eies. drawing together, and opening the mouth, feares, out-cries, shakings, burnings, sweats, sighes; and that not onely for the paines of our owner torments, but sometimes for other mens; as for the death of a child, brother, or deere friend. Farthermore, paine causeth a man to stretche his veines, crie out, looke pale, beate himselse, cast abroade his armes, despaire, clitch his hands &c. Which must be expressed in olde Iacob, when his sonnes shewed him the bloody garment of his son Ioseph, in token that he was slaine by a wilde beast; And in such like gesture must our Lady bee represented, when shee standeth by the crosse, beholding her sonne so cruelly tormented by the Iewes. In like manner must the vnhappy mothers of those innocents be pictured; whiles they behold them, most savagely murthred in their owne armes. Examples whereof we may take, from Raphaels, and Biaccio Bandinellos printes of the Innocents.

VVONDERING.

ONDERING hath such kinde of motions, as Ariosto describeth, saying:

Tellyou Ishall, and shew your wonderment

With bitten lippes, and eyebrowes arche-like bent.

And Petrarke.

VV hich make an other shake for verie wonder.

It makes a man attentine, stil, and immooneable like a stone, at the hearing of some strange matter; as well speake Ariosto of the amazed and workdering champions, in the presence of Rodomont saying. Cant. 46.

At this each man amazed standes devising, VV hat proud and saucy fellowe this might be: From talking and from eating each man stayes, To harken what this lofty warrier sayes.

This affection fitteth those also, which vppon the sudden are affonished as the sight of one who is pitifully wounded, or felled to the ground; and in a word, at the sight of any extraordinary and strange matter; as likewise those Romanes ought to be made standing, when they sawe the fyer rise out of the earth, and the Vestal Virgine carry water in a sieve; Porsenna and the other standers by, when they sawe Mutius Scevola put his owne hand into

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the fier; the Agyptians & Magitians in presence of Phaaro, when Jarons rod was changed into a Serpent. At the sight of such miracles, every man stands very attentiuely admiring, as it were besides himselse; as the Romans did, when Simon Magus sell downe headlong out of the aire, and brake his necke. Where you might see a great company assembled together, crowding one another, with a consuled whispering, & soft reasoning betweene themselues; one gazing at, and applauding his strange sal, without laughter, but full of wonder; another standing astonished and melancholy, with a desire to marke, to prie into, to thrust into the company by force, to smell after the event, to thrust and throng together in the presse, and the hand, throwing abroade the armes, thrusting out the belly, bowinges, turninges, stedsast lookes, &c. which the ingenious Painter will imagine of himselse.

DEATH

EATH (which is nothing else but a privation of life, or separation of the body & the foule) hath manifold actions in bodies. For if it come vppon the fudden, as vnto those who are flaine, it makes them turne vp their eies, so that they hide halfe the blacke aboue, & gape, as Virgil An. 4 very wel describeth it: but cotrariwife, it causeth divers other effects, when it comes by litle and litle, after that a man hath suffered some long payne. or by some other accident. Which things a good painter ought well to vnderstand. Wherefore, if he be to represent Pallas slaine by Turnus, or Turnus by Aneas, he must not make the lims altogether meager and dried, as if they had died of some lingring and pining disease, except they had bin in their life time thin & absternious; as were S: John Baptist in the wildernes, & Mary Magdalen. But if a man die of a pining disease, he must be expressed Tharpe & leane, and likewise if he have lyen dead a good space; as Lazarus when he was rayled, and others mentioned in stories: & in this fort we must confider, that as the motions of the mind, doe cause the body to mooue according to the powers thereof; so likewise the gestures caused by Death. make the body immooueable like the Earth, voide of all force and agility in all the members. As Daniel Riccarelli observed most judiciously in Christ ta ken downe fro the croffe, which he painted in Rome in the Trinity Church: M: Angelo in a dead Christ cut in marble in his mothers lap, which is to be scene in S. Peters in the Vatican, wherin appeare the true motions of death; because all the lims are made hanging, without any vigour or strength to fustaine themselues. Which we ought the more diligently to obserue, least we fall into the errours of fuch as give quicke motions vnto dead parts, making them seeme as if they were able to support and sustaine themselves.

FOLLY.

FOLLY hath foolish and vaine actions, crossing all the actions of reafon and understanding; as absurd dauncing; provoking the company to laugh, apish gestures of the body and hands, turnings of the arme, the head, and and all the body, girning, mopping and mowing, with other fonde gestures of the mouth, and eies; like those which Arosto most sitly describeth in his Orlando, and other forcible actions, vppon none occasion &c. Which motions doe also appeare in such as abound with drie choler, causing them to wax very angry, and crie out though no man ininry them, strike whomfoever comes in their waie, and lay hands aswell on themselues as on other men: But such as have adust bloud, doe much exceede in laughing, ever vaunting of greate matters, promising much of themselues, and making much sporte with singing and dauncing; whereas those who are oppressed with the blacke dregges of bloud, are alwaies Melancholy, and subject vnto such dreames as affright them for the present, and make them timorous afterwards. It commeth to passe also, that such as are surcharged with the like passions, whereas their heade, sometimes to their heade, sometimes to their bearde, plucking of their hayre, with such like follyes.

RVSTICITY.

Vsriciry hath flowe, clownish, and unreverent actions; as to leane with the arme or legge, uppon whatsoeuer is next him; as we may see daylie in country people, scullens, and sergeantes, and such like odde sellowes. From the observation of which actions, we shall the better learne the civile gestures by their contraries; especiallie when they are accompanied, with the formes and habites answerable unto the gestures of rudenesse.

DESPAIRE.

ESPAIRE hathactions betokening a privation of hope and contentment; as to beate with the hands, teare the lims and garmentes about a dead body, of whose recovery they have no hope: as This be vppon Pyramus, when being out of loue with her selfe, shee cast her bodie vppon the pointe of the sworde and so died; or for some notable disgrace taken in warre, as Saul, who being desperate caused his three sonnes to bee flaine in his fight, and at the last fell vppon his owne sworde: or for the losse of some pleasure or contentment, as Cleopatra for M. Antonius, who therfore stunge her selfe to death with a Serpent; and Dido for Æneas, when (according to Virgills description) first stabbing her selfe with a dagger, shee threwe her selfe with all her iewels and treasure; from an high rocke into the sea: or as Cato Vticensis and Mithridates, that they might not fal into their enemies handes; or Nero with the remorfe of his infamous cruelty; and Lucretia, that thee might not live after thee was defiled; or Achitophel, and Iudas Iscariot, who therefore hung themselves. Or finally for seare as well speaketh the Poet. The

The troupe of Ladies runnes about and flies, And scar'd with feare to him for succour cries: They weepe, they rore, they beate, they catch, they rase, Their breast, their necke, their hayre, their eies, their face.

And for divers other mishappes, from whence doe arise greate variety of desperate motions; as strangling, falling downe headlong from a steepe hill or rocke &c. All which actions would be resembled deliberate, and such as may terrifie the desperate person from executing his purpose.

TROVBLESO MENESSE.

ROVELES OMENESSE hath actions contrary vnto the former: for it causeth men wholly to apply and bend themselues to the troubling and molesting of other solkes, and may be observed in insolent, state-by, ignorant and envious people; as Cain towardes Abell; Cham against his brethren; Ismael towards Isaac; Esaw against Iacob; Saul against David; Absalom against Amnon; &c. who never ceassed to molest, injury, and trouble other men.

HAREBRAINNESSE.

ARBERATINESSE hath ridiculous, furious, and phantasticall motions, proper vnto those who are never longe of one minde: and therefore in an instant you shall see them scornefull, angry, merry, cheerefull, liberall, covetous, proud &c. They doe also belong vnto such, as after the manner of stage-players sustaine the persones of children, roysters, humble men, tyrants, olde solkes, women, &c. with divers kindes of dauncing, and scorning the company; by framing such opposite pleasant gestures, as in a moment procure laughter, loathing, and admiration.

PATIENCE.

Painters are bound to represent it in Christ with all the effects thereof, when the Iewes misused and derided him; but especially when hee is made bound to the piller and whipped, shewed to the people, and crowned with thomes, whiles hee carrieth the Crosse to the mount, wherevppon hee was fastned, and lifted vp into the ayre; where hee never shewed any signe of resistance, escape, or avoyding his Martyrdome. As also did the blessed Martyres for love of him in their Martyrdomes, tortures, and deathes; where they standing most patiently did sometimes lift vp their eies to heaven

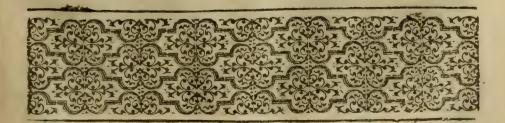
heaven in hope, sometimes downe in humility; framing their externall geflures according vnto the evill they indured.

LVNACIE.

VNACIE (to conclude) hath motions like vnto his in the Gofpell whome Christ cured; distracting men, in which distraction they neither know what to thinke, nor what to doe. For the better expressing whereof, first wee must make them with rent and torne havre. fouint eies or distorted, filthy nostrels, swelling lippes, strangely bending, teeth all befomed and appearing more in one place then an other, their armes, handes, and legges trembling, so that they are in continual danger offalling, like a man, whose strength fayleth him, and yet woulde goe, Thaking their heads, and mooving their whole body, with a pale, wanne, or blacke and blewe colour. In which forte we may represent the fore-named man in the Gospell, because hee was possessed with a Divell, with the former actions a little more vehement. Now of these there is an other forte called Epileptici of Hipocrates and the other Phisitians, whereof there bee 3 kinds; some, who standing with their body vpright streach out their legges; some, who so bowe themselves together forwards, that their knees touch their face; and others, who bende themselves backewards so far that their heeles touche their head. So that according vnto the truth of the history; they must be erepresented somtimes one way, sometimes another,



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OF DIVERS OTHER NECES-SARIE MOTIONS.

CHAP. XVII.



Esides the motions already declared at large, for the better understäding of such other as might hereafter serue for our purpose, it is to be observed, that ther are certaine others of no final importance, which are to be referred vnto that which is most comely, and agreeable to mans bodie; aswell in respect of such effectes as proceede from the same; as also in regarde of the times and seasons, together with the consideration of

the objects, offering themselves to our sense. For the better attaining wherof, we must in all the actions and gestures, make choice of the chiefest and most principall, searching them out most diligently, & deducing them from the circumstances, which are found in the party to be represented: as Leon: ride Gen. Va- Vincent did in the * Cartone of S. Anne, which was afterwards transporsaidella pinn- ted into Fraunce, and is now to bee seene in Millane with Aurelius Lovinus a Painter; in the border whereof there are many draughtes, expressing the greate joy and myrthe which the Virgine Mary conceaved, when the beheld so goodly a child as Christ borne, considering with her selfe, that Thee was made worthy to be his Mother: And likewife in S. Anne, the joy and contentment which shee felt, seing her daughter become the blessed mother of God.

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Moreover, in a table to bee seene in the Chappell of the Conception in S. Francis Church at Millan, wherof I shall have occasion to speake in the booke of Light; where you shall fee how S. Ihon Baptist, kneeling with his handes together, bowed towardes Christ; which was an action of obedience and child-like reverence; and in the Virgine, a gesture of cheerefull contemplation whiles shee beheld these actions: and in the Angell, an action of Angelicall beawtie, in consideration of the ioy which was to betide the worlde by this mysterie in Christ as yet a childe Divinity and VVisedome: where

where the Virgine Mary also kneeled by, holding S. Ihon in her right hand, and stretching forward her left hand which was shortened; and finally the Angel holding Christ in his left hand, who sitting by, looked vppon S. Iohn and blessed him. Againe, diverse other famous Paynters and Lights, of the Art, have observed other motions; as Contemplation in casting the eyes vp to heaven, admiring the Angelical Musicke, and neglecting for a time all inferiour Musicke with the handes, instruments, and other earthlie Melodies. Which motions were expressed in that singular table of S. Cecily which Raph: painted with 4 other Saints, which worke is now to be found in Bolognia at S. Iohns in the mount. The Agony also & sorrow of the afflicted, which Anton: Correggio expressed most artificially in his own city, in Christ praying in the garden; as likewise want, panting, sweating, sleeping, threatning, and the motion of the slaming sier: all which are most lively expressed by the in divers places. And now to come to the Poets, that which Ariosto speaketh of his Orlando, may serve for a most sit example herein.

His legges and handes he shakes, and breathes withall, VV hiles from his face the liquid droppes doe fall.

And in an other place, of a man grievoully diseased, famished, and out of harte, in the person of the same Orlando, when Angelica found him lying uppon the shore, Cant. 29.

Rough, grissy hair'd, eies staring, visage wan, Sunburn'd and parch't, and all deform'd in sight: In fine, hee look't (to make a true de scription) In face like Death, in he we like an Ægyptian.

And that of Dant (describing a ship-wracke in a great tempest at sea where the men are saved,)

And even as they who panting at a wracke, Scap't from the sea; and gotten to the shore, Turne to the dangerous water, and looke backe.

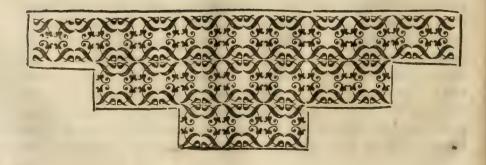
And thus much for examples. For he that woulde fet downe all the examples which would serue for the shewing, how in every effect wee ought to choose the most proper motions, without which the picture wilbe of smale worth, should grow infinite. We must also have regard to the seasons: for the Sommer causeth open, and wearisome actions, subject vnto sweating & rednes. The Winter restrayned, drawne in, and trembling. The Spring merrie, nimble, prompt, and of a good colour. The Autume doubtfull, & more inclyning vnto melancholy then otherwise. Notwithstanding, if you be to paint a labouring man, you must without any regard of the season (though more of Sommer then any of the rest) represent him with raysed lims, swelling and standing forth, sweating and burning, especially in such as carrie burdens, draw great waights, or vse vehement leaping, walking, iesting with weapons, fencing, and fuch like exercises. Lastly, sleepe causeth no motions of Vigour or force to bee represented, but as if the body were without life. Wherefore wee must take heede, we doe not (as some vse) give vnto those which sleepe such kindes of actions in their lying, as in probabilitie will not fuffer them to sleepe, as wee see oft tymes in men Gg ij.

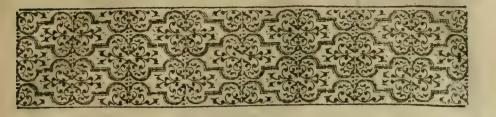
lying athwart stones, benches &c. being represented with their lims supported by their owne force. Wherein it is evident, that such Painters known or how to observe decorum.

Farthermore, there are motions proceeding from the tast, as dayly experience teachethys, for sowrenesse, and bitternesse cause the bending of the eielids, and other parts; sweete and savourie, a cheerefull countenance; the like of good smelles, whereas contrariwise, badde smelles make vs draw in the nostrells, looke aside, turne the backe, with wrinkled eielids, eves almost clozed, and mouth drawne in. Of hearing and touching there are also caused distinct motions in our bodies. As for example, from sharpe foundes and noyle, rifeth sudden feare and affrighting. From touching any hotte thinge, quicke and speedie motions; from touching cold things. restrayned and searefull motions, as in such as in the winter touch yee or snowe. And so I conclude of feeing, for in looking vppon thinges exceeding bright, the fight is offended, and a man withdraweth himselfe for safe. gardin beholding obscure thinges, the eies are sharpned by drawing neere and as it were clozing them, as Painters vie to doe, when they woulde looke neere on a thinge. Which effect is caused by a picture set a farre of. And heere I will conclude those simple motions which are of most importance, proceeding vnto those which consist of multiplicity.



OF





OF THE CONCORD AND DIScord of the motions, and of

THEIR VNITING.

CHAP. XVIII.



Ovv (besides the motions already mentioned both in generall and in particular, all which ought to be expressed orderly in pictures) it is farther expedient, that in regarde of the concorde and discorde of the motions, wee consider how two, three, or sowre, may be evnited together, and expressed in the selfe same body, shewing forth their vigor in the same face: which thinge the best Painters both ancient

and new haue donne, (though very fewe) for the more easie vinderstanding. Wherefore (according to the fore-sayed order of the originall of the passions of the minde together with the soure humors, and their agreemets) we must proceede, by making them spring forth like branches; from their bodic.

First then these are enemies, and can never bee vnited together in the same subject; as Anxiety, heavinese, sadnesse, stubbournese, and roughnesse; with temperatenesse, modestie, gratious nesse, royalnesse, clemency and cheerefulnesse. Not yet timiditie, simplicity, humility, puritie, and mercisulnesse; with violence, rage, arrogancy, audacity, crueltie and fiercenesse.

On the other fide these agree: viz. anxiety, heavines, sadnes, stubbournnes, and roughnesse, with timidity, simplicity, humility, purity, and mercifulnes, and may be vnited (but never with that facility and sympathy) with violence, rage arrogancy, audacity, cruelty, and siercenes; temperatnes, modesty,
gratious nes, royalnes, clemency, and cheer sulnes, may accord with timiditye,
simplicity, humility, purity, & mercifulnes, as also with audacity, siercenes, magnanimity, liberality, comelinesse, wantonnesse; and so through all the other
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motions

motions wee shall easily finde out all their agreementes, and disagreementes: which being perceived and vnderstoode, wee shall afterwards easily couple the motions together, and represent them in countenances in such sorte, as shalbee sit for Histories, and for the effectes, from whence they springe: as for example, in Abraham when hee must sacrifice his sonne to GOD, both piety and obedience; and in Isaac both

those, but mixed with feare and forrow.

Besides, there are some motions which are enemies in the highest degree, and yet notwithstanding may agree with some other, and by this meanes agree together with them in the same subject: as for example, boldenesse, and feare, are veter enemies between themselves, neverthelesse each of them agreeth with honesty and wantonnesse; In like sort, these two have no concorde, being star contraries, notwithstanding there is agreement between these and myrth and liberality, as also between malice and fidelity, although these too be at open varience. In like manner Cruelty and pitie are most contrary, notwithstanding they may agree with wantonnesse, merrinesse, and chastity; comelinesse, and basenesse, disagree betwixt themselves, and agree with humility.

Love and hatred notwith standing they be so great adversaries, may be reconciled and made friends with content: honour, and shame agree with myrth,
myrth and melancholy may agree with piety, wantonnesse, cruelty; fidelitie,
liberality, religion, wisedome erc. Constancie and wavering being repugnant betweene themselves, take place both in wantonnesse, cruelty, piety,
and honessy; Paine, is enemy vnto ease; myrth, avarice, and liberalitye
sorte with divers other vices. Fury and moderation, with sidelity and liberality; arrogancy with modessy and mirth; boldnesse and force, impudency and
shame fastnesse, with liberality, force and obstinacy; sustice with ignorance and

wantonnes; honesty, and mirth with Religion.

Besides, these agree together; Iustice, honour, comelinesse, wisedome, constancy, gentlenesse, boldenesse, liberality, and myrth. But wantonnesse is a friende vnto boldnesse, liberality, and myrth, though not to the others; honesty vnto all; hardinesse and melancholy vnto constancy; and bold-

nesse vnto hardinesse.

Farthermore, wee see that feare and sweating stande not together, and yet they are vnited in Paine; palenesse and blushing are contraries, and yet they meet friendly in Paine. So also amongst the vices, in solency and knavery disagree, and yet sorte with wantonnesse; seircenesse is an enemy vnto fearefulnesse, notwithstanding they ioyne with inconstancy. Bragging is an enemy vnto inconstancy, and agrees with siercenes, cruelty, ignerance, pride, VV antonnesse, in solence &c.

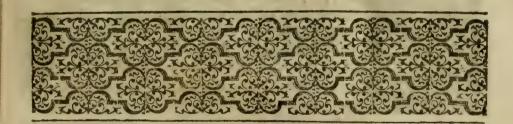
Pride and basenesse to stifnesse and hatred; Violence, sury, and rage, are all enemies to south, but they agree in hatred, revenge, mortality, and death. Miserablenesse, and vaineglory are contrary, yet they agree with follie and ignorance. Statelinesse, Vaineglory and despising, with trechers

batred, and rigour.

Last of al betweene vitious motions these are friends; Infolency, fiercenes, eruelty,

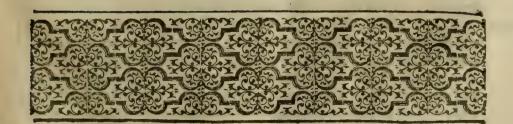
with fearefulnesse, obstinacy, impiety and rudenesse, and can never accorde with fearefulnesse basenesse, rusticity &c. And these may agree with inconstancy, ignorance, variety, wantonnesse, filthinesse &c. which agree with the about mentioned.

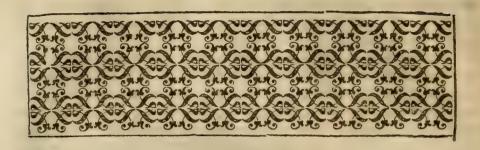
And thus whosoever shall joyne the motions together, according vnto this method of concord and discorde, which I have shewed to be found in them, shall not onely attaine vnto the easinesse of representing whatsoever hee list, but also to the commendation of a good Painter. As for example, in representing supiter most kindly courting and embracing Io, hee shall expresse, that pleasaunt cheerefulnesse which agreeth with his milde nature, mixed and tempered with maiesty, boldenesse, and wantonnesse: though I say hee were naturally and by occasion pleasaunt and cheerefull. For if hee shoulde bee otherwise described, hee woulde not easilie bee taken for supiter: so that you may also resemble in a childe kindenesse, but with an action, of basenesse, and rudenesse, which if wee shoulde expresse in Christ, woulde be most absurde.



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OF CERTAINE MOTIONS OF HORSES.

CHAP. XIX.



Hara are divers other important motions of an Horse, besides those which hee naturally performeth with his lims, for the vnderstanding whereof those will serue, which shalbe handled in the booke of *Practize*. Now a Horse mooveth to none other end, but to performe some effect, and therefore hee mooveth according vnto that, as also according vnto such accidents as shall afterwards fall out. And heerein wee

must be very circumspect; because the whole arte of drawing horses dependenth hereon; and to make this observation more familiar, wee shalbee much holpen by the labours of other men; as well in Painting and Carving, as in writing, for the better finding out of these actions and effects of Horses from the life, and disposing them according vnto their dewe conveniency and decorum. For surely in difficult matters it much availeth, to bee directed by, and have an cie to former examples: Wherefore, I purposing to handle these motions according to their effectes, have made vse of Poets and other writers, who have so well described them in words, as it is impossible to Paint them better, with the pencell.

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And first of all, Achilles Statius expresseth them most admirably in an affrighted horse with his rider on his backe, where describing Clinias his horse (whereon Caricles a goodly young gentle-man sate) he saith; that raining up his horse, and wiping his face all dropping downe with sweat, there was a sudden noyse made behinde him, wherewith the horse being feared leaped, rising an ende in the aire, and carried away the younge man in most furious sorte; for champing his bit, wringing his necke, shaking his mane,

and

and waxing madde with feare, hee flew headlong thorough the ayre, his fore-feete prauncing forward, his hinder-feet striving to overtake the former; whence the horse beeing all chased, and madded with leaping now vp, now downe, by the swiftenesse of his feete, strove with Fortune, waving his backe like a thip and vnhappy Caricles waving vp and downe with this storme, was tossed from side to side in the saddell like a tenice ball, somtimes falling backwards upon the croope of the horse, & sometimes forwardes on the necke; infomuch as he was most grievously beaten with the tempest, & being now no more able to rule the raines, having committed himselfe to the violence of the course, stoode at the mercie of Fortune. Whence the horse running with might and maine, lefte the beaten waie, and leaped into the thicket; where after many other accidents, at the length he concludeth, that the miserable younge man being trampled on, hanging on the trees, and grievoully rent and torne, was lefte deade. Ariolto in tending to shew the violent stroake which two horses indured in an incounter, saieth thus. Cant. 2.

This fierce encounter was so harde to beare, That good Alfana to the grounde inclin'd.

And in his last Canto in the incounter betweene Rodomont and Ruggero,

As made both horses cruppers kise the grounde,

And againe, speaking of a resty horse that would not goe forwards, he described Baiardo, after he came into Sacripants hand, in this sorte.

Hee stoppes, when hee shoulde make a full careere, Hee runnes, or trottes when hee woulde have him rest: At last, to throwe his rider in the mire, Hee plungeth with his head beneath his breast.

Againe horses ought not to bee without motion when they stand still, but, at the least, to bee made as Ariosto speaketh of Frontino.

Champing his fayre rich bitte all froatht and fom'd,

And if you bee to make a lackie holding him in his hande, you shall give him such motion, as Tasso teacheth Cant. 1. of his Amadagie saying,

Agallant steede and over coloured gray,

Stard in the forehead, with his three feete white,

The faire froatht bridle of the champt in play,

And loudlie neighing, far was heard outright:

His swelling nostrels snuft, and swift away,

He e turn'd with everie little boy and light:

Nor was hee long in one place standing founde,

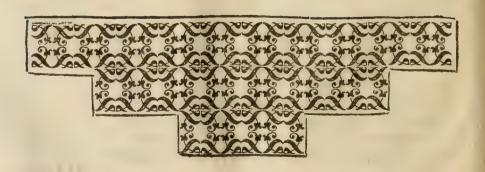
But eft soones with one foote hee smote the grounde.

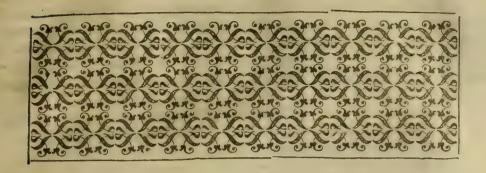
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Wherefore I conclude, that amongst the best Poets both Latine and Italian, we may finde examples of all fortes of motions, which I omit here for brevity sake. It may suffice then, that I have touched these sewe, according vnto my promise; to the intent, wee might precisely knowe, how to give the most convenient motions vnto horses; as above others Leon: Vincent, hath taught for the most parte; who excelled all the late workemen. and amongst the ancient hath (peradventure) gone beyond the painter Nealces, who (being fingular in this Arte) having painted a weary horse, made also the fome of his mouth in such sorte, as you may reade. In like forte they woulde bee represented, as if they seemed to snorte, leape. flinge, and neigh at the founde of the trumpet; and in those which are terrible & dangerous, we must give a resemblance of seare & trembling, as may bee seene in S. Georges horse, when he drew nere to the Dragon, done by Casar Sestius; where you may see most lively expressed, that violence. which compelled him to retire and flie the vgly fight of the Dragon (though he were most stronglie held in by the Saint, vnto the verie ende of that worthie exploit. Whereof I have now a draught, with divers others of Leonards, wherin he was no leffe excellent then in that, as amongst many other things may appeare by a horse wrought in Plasticke, with his owne hand. yppon whose backe sate Leon: Aretinus the Carver.



OF





OF THE MOTIONS OF LIVING

CREATVRES IN GENERALL.

CHAP. XX.



S the motions of mens bodies, and of Horses handled before, are different betwixt themselues (as it is alreadie shewed) some of them being slowe, and others swifte, according to the quality of the body, mooving the passion wherewith they are surcharged, and the habite and constitution of the bodie it selfe; insomuch as a man of a grosse body and quicke spirite cannot performe, quicke, suffie, and nimble actions, like vn-

to a slender, well set, and moderately sleshie man, so out of question, all other living creatures have their distinct motions, by reason of the severall qualities, and dispositions of their bodies. For in all mens judgements it were absurde, to expresse the lusty and nimble actions of Alexanders couragious Bucephalus, in Iupiter turned into a Bull; or to make miserable Io changed into a Cowe, running, and carrying her head a loft, with nimble legges gathered up on high, as Cafars Harte should be drawne; Nor yet Calydons body so fierce as the Nemean Lyon: Nor Califto with her sonne Areas turned into a Beare, so quicke & swift as the Leopard of the 3. Magis or the Tigre of Cosimus Gran Duke of Tuscane; or Iacobs lambes so light foo. ted as Cephalus his dog, &c. Besides this, we must observe the passions of the creatures, according vnto which they are mooved, and accordingly expresse them; As Leonard Vincent did, who Painted a Dragon fighting with a Lyon, with so greate skill, that all the beholders doubted which of them woulde conquer, so well he expressed in each of them the motions of mefence, and offence. Of which peece my felfe haue a coppy, by which I let no small store. And for the more perfit understanding of the nature of (uch fuch creatures, and the reducing their effectes and motions vnto memory, I holde it expedient (omitting those of ancient monuments) to reade the Poets, who in similitudes and examples touch them generally; as we may finde in * Homer, Virgil, Ovid, Horace, Catullus &c. all which the worthy reade Sir Phesidney, Spencer, Daniel ber I have read Canto 2. this stanza, for our purpose, of two dogges fighting.

Like as two mastive dogges with hungrie iawes,
Mood dirst with hate, from hate to raging ire,
Approach with grinning teeth, and grisly iawes,
Vith staring eies as red as any sire;
At last they bite, and scratch, with teeth and clawes,
Tearing themselves, and tumbling in the mire.
So after biting and reproach full words

Sacrapant and Rainaldo drewe their swords.

And in an other place, expressing the actions of the Eagle in catching a

Serpent, he saieth: Cant. 10.

Even as an Eagle that espies from hie,

Among the herbes a partie-coloured snake,

Or on a banke sunning her selfe doth lie;

Casting the elder skin, a newe to make,

Lies hovering warily, till sheemay spie

Avantage sure, the venom'd worme to take,

Then takes him by the backe, and beates her winger,

Mauger the poyson of his forked stinges,

And in an other place, describing the Eagle seazing vppon his pray with hie

talents: Cant. 11.

So have I seene a VVolfe to beare away

Alambe, from shepheards folde; so have I seene,

An Eagle on a sillie Doue to pray,

Soaring a lofte the earth and heaven betweene.

And againe, of a Boare ranging through the woodes, Cant. 14.

As a wilde Boare with furious rage possess,

His hastie way through reedie thickets takes,

Hee eft soones with his tuskes, and snowte, and breast,

Hee eft soones with his tuskes, and snowte, and breast, Wide breaches each where as hee passeth, makes:

And speaking of a famished Lyon: Cant. 18.

Looke how a Lyon fierse with famine pin'd

Comming whto a flocke of sillie sheepe,

VV here neither fence, nor people shee doth finde,

Spoyleth the flocke the whiles the shepheards sleepe.

Againe in the 19. Cant. of a Beare.

Even as a Beare that woulde defende her whelpe, Hovers about, although shee cannot helpe.

And speaking of the Bees when the swallowe commeth amongst them Cant. 26.

If you have seene the honny-making bees,

Leaving their hives, and going out in swarmes,

Vhen as their kings and maisters disagrees,

And they make campes in th' aire like men at armes,

Straight in amongst them all the Swallowe slees,

And eates and beates them all, unto their harmes.

And in the 27. Cant. talking of a Bull.

Euen as a Bull his loved heard that leaves

By hus strong rivall forced to be gonne,

Among the trees all clad with thickest leaves,

Hideth himselfe, and seekes to be alone.

And in the 18. Cant. speaking of a Lyon.

Even as a Lyons whelpes that see a Bull

Are at the first of his great strength affraid;

But when they see their fire to teare and pull

His throate and sides, they runne their fire to aide,

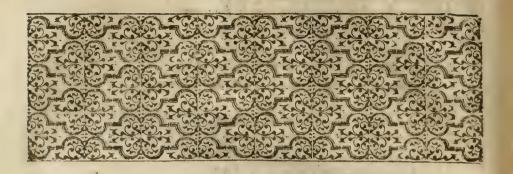
And slie uppon his face and horned skull,

Till prostrate on the ground they have him laide.

These and such like examples are found in good Poets, whereby it will easily appeare, after what sorte the diuerse motions of livinge creatures should be expressed, when we cannot come to drawe them by the life. Only the reading of Poets, Historiographers, and other writers, will much help vs for the vnderstanding of the Natures and sormes of living creatures; as also to know how to give vnto eache his proper and dewe motion: so that wee shall not make any creature sighting with such a one as he is naturally affraide of, nor conquering him whome he cannot, nor keeping company with his naturall enemy; as making a Lyon standing still when he seeth the cocke, but rather to slie away from him; as also the Eagle at the sight of the Griffon. And so it may bee sayed of the rest, according vnto their kindes, love, or hatred; strength or weakenesse; boldenesse or fearefullenesse.

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OF THE MOTIONS OF HAYRE.

CHAP. XXI.



Ooke how many waies a mans body may be mooved, as vpwards, downwards, on both fides, forwards and backwards, so many waies also is the haire moued, befides casting it selfe round. It must be turned vpwards, when you would represent one frighted at some searfull sight, or other great danger: Besides in such as are ill marked by nature, the lockes or plaine seakes of haire called cow-lickes, are made turning vpwardes.

Againe the haire is gathered together on high, and spread abroad, when a man is imagined to stand in some high place, where the wind may blowe up from below, or some fire slaming may mooue it, as we may see in those who are burned, how the slame reacheth upwards. Haires turning downwards are those which being cast abroad fall uppon the shoulders, as in those who kembe and trim their long lockes; or naturallie as Christ and the Apostles wied to weare theirs: and other also after the custome of the Grecians, Hebrewes, and Persians. In like sorte those which hang downe are also proper unto poore folkes, beggers, and russins.

Those which slie on this side and on that, belong vnto those who are supposed to have the wind blowing on one side, who carrying out their face in the aire, have their haire blowen abroad on the contrary side; or else when a man boweth on one side to doe any thing. They mooue forward and backwards, also in respect of the aire or blowing of the wind, which is it blowe before, they are scattered backwards, if behind forwards. The selfe same essentially bowing forward or backward, because the haire be-

ing not able to fustaine it selfe, alwaies falleth to the lowest part.

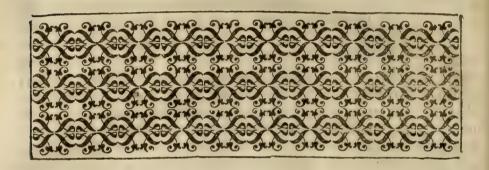
VVherefore Christes hayre when he washed his Apostles secte, hunge after

after this maner, as likewise Mary Magdalen, when shee lay a long at Christs feete. Notwithstanding they sie forwards and backwards allo, when one runnerh; as in Daphne when thee runne awaie from Apollo: and in Ab-Colom when he flewe from his father . By the waie it is to bee observed that Christs havre ought not to bee made as if it hung downe straite at length, nor yet that it may seeme very thin about the forhead, for that woulde are gue often kembing, and smoothing, which Christ and his Apostles never vsed. But to come vnto the last motion of hayre, which is turning round or curling, I take it that it is of as manie fortes, as there are vies wherevnto it is applyed. For a Philosopher and a Divine in regard of their gravitie, ought to have somewhat groffe and thicke lockes, as Mi: Angelo hath very well expressed in his Moses; the like may be donne in the bearde, if neede shall so require; which by this meanes will agree most judiciously with their actions, gravity of their calling, forme, apparrell, and yeares. In a strong man as Hercules they shoulde bee thicke, and well intangled together, and diverfly inwrapped within each other, yet not verie fine, but something rugged, and groffe: for smalnes belongeth vnto weakelings. Poore, olde, and impotent folkes would have them longe, thinne, and fuch as can hardly bee seene, like vnto one that is halfe bald; as Saturne. A Signore full of maiesty, as tone, (who ought somewhat to resemble the forme of christ) ought to have the curles of his hayre neither too longe, nor too shorte; but to well/forted, that they offende not in any particular: fo that they bee neither like those of Hercules, nor of Saturne. Thinne lockes, and somewhat large and full, belonge vnto children: as Cupid, and young Virgins. Lockes that are rough, wreathed &c. hanging rounde about the forehead belowe for ornament, are proper vnto valient and stoute men, as Mars. Hayre wantonly frizled, knit in knottes, and diverfly trimmed up in roules befet with fethers, pearle, stones, &c, is most commonly yied by notorious strumpets: and therfore the looking glasse was first dedicated vnto Venus, as a fit instrumet for this purpose. Hayre somewhat scattred, and finely knitt vp together with a fillet or vaile, belongeth vnto the common forte, and vnto wanderers; as Diana goddesse of hunting. Hayre without curles, and hanging out at length is proper to those which are young and weake. And so forth, all the other sortes of havre differ according to their nature and effects. And here wee must take heede that wee giue not Christes hayre vnto Mars; but rather to Iupiter. By this rule you may proceede in painting beards. Whereof I will speake no more here, obferving only this, that workemen ought to bestow much industry and arte in this point of hayre, for the increase of their judgment herein.

But especially they must represent the lightes, lusters, and turninges vp: for hayre being of an vnctuous and oily nature doth shine more then the sless, againe it should not be represented to be seene neere hand, but a far of, without the fine stroakes of a pencel, being highened and lightned with such a singular quick grace; as all the chiefest painters have expressed in this point. As Antonius da Correggio, Giorgione da Castello Franco; Ticiano; Kaphael; Polidoro; Leonardus, Gaudentius, Andreas del Sarto, Perino del Vaga,

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Rosso, Mazzolino, & Boccacino: & of Carvers such as have imitated the manner of the ancient, as those carvers of Laocoon, M: Angelo, Donatellus, Baccio Bandinelli, Andreas, Iacobus Sansovinus, Pier da Vinci, Iohn Bologne, & Fontana: and in mettall singular Iames of Trezzo: and of cutters of printes divine Al: Durer, Lucas of Holland, Marcus Intonius of Bologne, and Cornelius the Flemming.



OF THE MOTIONS OF ALL SORTES OF CLOTH.

CHAP. XXII.



HE motions of cloth, that is the foldes or plaites, ought to runne out every way like boughes from the stemme & body of the tree: and must be so made that one plait rise from another, as one bough or one streame of water issueth out from another; in such wise, that there be no part of the cloth wherein there appeare not some of these motions. Now these motions would be moderate, gentle, and free, without a-

ny interruptions, more to be admired for their grace and facility, then for affected paines and industry. And because all sortes of cloth have their motios, as well as bodies, it must needs be that they differ betweene themselves, according to the differences of the clothes themselves.

Wherfore; they must be more light in fine cloth as sarcenet, linné, cipres &c. in which the plaits are small, raysed vp, trembling, and as it were sweetely waving, somewhat pussed vp by extending & spreading themselves

selues like a sayle, where the motion receaveth more strength by the winds they doe also fall close upon the bare skin, as appeareth plainely in contrie people, in whome you shall see their thinne cloathes streached uppon their bare skinne, on that fide where the winde bloweth, and blowne up on the contrary parte. The fame falleth out in mantels, the loofe ends of girdles, & garters. All which motions doe most fitly belong vnto the apparell of Nymphes and other goddesses, in respect of their lightnesse. Grosse & dull shaddowes are found in stiffe clothes, where the plaites are fewe and grosse, so that they are capable but of flow motion; & therfore they finke downwards and can hardly fall close to the bare skin, by reason of their owne grossenesse which sustaineth them. And these motions doe chiesty appeare in cloth of golde, felt, thicke lether &c. in which the aire can have litle force or none. Wherefore, the plaites have their motion accordingly as they are handled and pressed by the wearer; as under the arme, & under the knee, by opening and stretching out the leg, & the arme, ever making grosse, hard, and stiffe folds, without al sleightnes or plyablenes, in such fort, that if a man may lay finer cloth vpon them, they wil eafily beare it vp, without pressing downe.

Temperate motions, which are neither to groffe nor to fleight, are fuch as apeare in the folds of rash and other clothes of fine wooll, which therefore may conveniently bee mooved of the aire, and are ply able to a mans limmes, and so making most sweete and pleasant foldes, they follow the bare verie well, becomming verie nimble, and falling plyablely about the loines. And hence have Raphaell, Mich: Angelo, Leonard, Gaudentius, Alb: Durerus, and other famous Masters in Drapery, taken the method and way of giving the true motions vnto garments, as from the most perfit patterne for their generall vie in making the mantels of the Saints, pavilions or tents which are made with this kinde of drapery. Besides these, there are also other kinds of motions called turnings and croffings, which are proper vnto Damaskes, Taffaties, Sattens, cloth of golde &c. in which appeare folds croffing and breaking each other, by the divers vertue of the drapery.

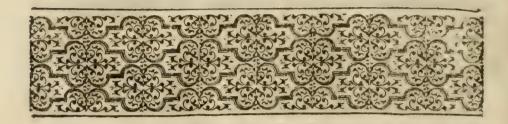
Whence the Venetians have taken their manner of drapery; who make their folds much different from the layed motions of Raphaell and the rest. Which indeed ought not to be vsed any where, saue in counterfets by the life; where it seemes they are not onely tollerable, but also very requisite. But in my judgement they should not ordinarily bee vsed in Histories; and yet if occasion doe require, that they should be represented in any place, they ought not to bee done wholly, but onely somewhat imitated and refembled with a pretty touch and grace, in fuch fort that they may not favour of an affected imitation of the natural garments, without grace or order. VVhich is often vsed of many, with small reason (as I thinke.

There are also other motions, as of Veluett limber leather & all which differ one from an other; but I thinke these may suffise, without proceeding any farther in the discourse hereof: Only lett the paynter bee carefult and industrious, as well herein as in the rest: insomuch as the excellency and perfection thereof dependeth aswell hereon as on the rest; because

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these motions of garments come so neere the life, that it is evident, that they are able to make a picture seeme distorted and ilfavored, procuring the scorne and laughter of the beholders. Such were some of those, which were vsed by our great Graundsathers some 200 yeares since, which seemed like rounde stickes or candels hanging downe. Which, some of our late workemen of good note have also vsed, making their motions too long, and drawne out by the foldes like vnto hanging canes, without any kinde of grace. Another defect in the drapery of olde pictures I finde, which is that they seeme to be emades like scales in som fort: which I thinke, they tooke from the imitation of the Models of men, clothed with paper. Which poyntasterwards attayned to high perfection, by the great industry of Bramante, and Andreas Mantegna, and was afterwardes reformed, and made much more absolute by Albert Durer, and Lucas of Hollande.



OF THE MOTIONS OF TREES, AND ALL OTHER THINGES THAT

ARE MOOVED.

CHAP. XXIII.



As T of all the motions of every thing which is mooved, ought to be expressed with indgmet, accordingly as they agree with the thing wherunto they are given; sometimes quicke, sometimes slow, sometimes mooueable, sometimes not. And first of all in trees, when they are shaken of the wind, their smaler (& therfore more plyable) boughes, must be resembled with such an action, that they may more strike one against another, by

yeelding and declyning from the part whence the wind bloweth, then the stiffer (& therefore slower) the body notwithstanding remaining stronge & stedfast. The boughes growing from thence, begin a little to bend, and the other

others which proceede from them a litle more, fo that in the end they shew the same agility, in the leaves most of all. It is true that all trees have not a like motion: for the Willowe mooveth and is shaken extreamely: the Pinetree not at all, or very litle, & so forth of the rest according to their natures: but by the way we must note, that young and tender trees of body, begin first to moone from the bottome of the body, shaking their boughes and leaues together. Herbes likewise, whether they beare flowers or fruits, haue trembling motions, according to the condition of the wind which bloweth them, and also accordingly as they are forced or oppressed of any thing, as for example; an eare of corne when a birde fittes feeding vppon it, which. will not only make it bende, but even way it downe to the earth, as well obferved that countrie fellow in Greece of a Painter, whether it were Ariftides or Pamphilus I doe not well remember, who had Painted a birde vppon an eare of corne, without making the stalke bend a jot. In like forte the motions of other vnfensible thinges, as quivering of fethers; of winges, and plumes: the wreathing of ropes, the knottes of bandes, flying of strawes, dust &c. must be expressed according to the violence donne vnto them: to the ende there may none occasion be given vnto the meanest, to taxe and carpe at painters (otherwise most excellent) as not longe since fell out, in the worke of a good Carver; who, in the wronge side where hee had carved Mi: Angelo, made a blinde begger, led by a dogge tyed with a stringe abour his necke, which seemed to be so streached, that it was as stiffe as a staffe, without any bowing: which gaue occasion to a waggish boy, to scoffe at it, faying; that if the dogge had strayned the stringe so harde, hee had either binne strangled, or not able to goe any farther. Which caused certaine painters which were with me, to breake out into an extreame laughter.

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Many such like blame-worthy motions may be found in pictures, which wouldnot so easily escape the hands of painters, if in every thing they paint, they did cossider, that it is their owne disgrace be it never so small sas the most diligent Leonard, and Casar Sestius did: out of whose handes there never came any unpersit peece of worke. For in the smalest hearbes, you shall finde their most true proportion, and naturall motion.

Albertus Durerus was no lesse carefull in this behalfe, as may sufficiently appeare by his printes and coloured tables, in which you shall finde the legitimate motions, even vnto the smallest haires of the beard: as in that of the Duke of Saxony, which was also drawne againe by Ticianus: and afterwards in the haires of S. Sebastianes dog, in the print of the horses of Sense and Death, and in the great leaves of Adam and Eue.

The motions of the Sea must be otherwise expressed, by representing the divers agitations of the waters, as likewise in rivers, the stashinges of the waters vppon boates and shippes, floating vp and downe on the waters, through the vncertainty of the surges, and the shippes resistance. We must also represent the motions of waters falling downe from an high place, but especially when they fall vppon some rocke or stones, where you shall see them spirting vp into the aire, and sprinkling all about.

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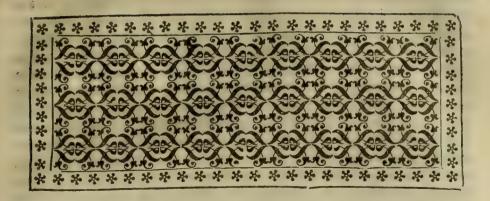
Cloudes also in the aire, require to have their motions indiciously expressed, now gathered together with the windes, now violently condensated into haile, thunder-boultes, lightning, raine, and such like meteors. Finally you can make nothing, which requireth not his proper motions, according vnto which it ought to be represented. But having hitherto sufficiently (as I suppose) discoursed of these kindes of motions, I will heere shutte vp all, with the most hotte and vehement motions of the slaming sire; hastning towards an end as that doth naturally, although it be diversly stirred & blowne with the wind, wherby notwithstanding gathering more force, it is augmented and increased.

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The ende of the Second Booke.







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TREATING OF COLOVR

BY IO: PAVLVS LOMATIVS

PAINTER OF MILANE.

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Of the vertue of Colour.

CHAP. I.

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T is manifest, that all those thinges which are first proportionably drawne, and then artificially coloured, will beare the true and naturall resemblance of the Life, by expressing all the actions and gestures thereof. Insomuch that one dogge, seeing another painted, will barke at him, as it were prouoking him to sight: because he taketh him to be aliue, by the bare appearance, as if he sawe himselse in a glasse. An ex-

ample whereof wee have in a dogge, which defaced one painted by Gaudentius, in a table of Christ carrying the crosse at Canobium. We reade how Birdes have flowne at other artificiall ones; as the Partriges, which

flewe at those which Parrhasius had painted upon a columne at Rhodes. It is reported that there was a certaine Dragon, so naturally drawne in the Triumvirate in Rome, that hee made the birdes leave finging. Howbeit that picture in Claudius Theater was more strang, where (they say) the Crowes were openly deceived with the counterfeit tiles, offering to flie through the painted windowes, to the exceeding great admiration and laughter of the ipectators. The story of Zeunes is well knowne, who painted clusters of grapes on a table so lively in the Theater, that the birdes slying by pecked at them; though hee were afterwards beguiled himselfe, by a curtaine which Parrhassus painted in emulation of his grapes. And here I may not omit that admirable horse, which Apelles painted for the consuting of certaine painters who contended with him: which assoone as the line horses sawe, they straight began to neigh, wince, and slinge with their heeles. provoking it to fight. Who afterwards painted that admirable Alexander with lightning in his hand, which he fet of so stoutely, as if it had bin truely imbossed; there are yet remayning in Transfevero in Rome, certayne Children done by the hand of Baltha far of Siena, which so perfectly seems to be made in Stucco, that they have deceaved even divers good Painters.

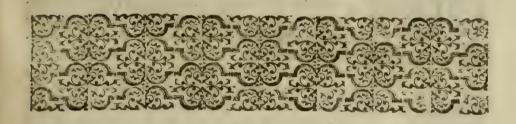
All which examples, and the like mentioned by writers to this purpose may easily be admitted for true; since Andreas Mantegna of our time, deluded his maister with a flie, which he had drawne vppon the eiclid of a Lyon: and an other late workeman, provoked a true Parret to prattle, at the fight of one which he had most naturallie counterfeited. Besides it is well knowne, that Bramantinus represented a Servant in porta Vercellina in Milane, so neere the life, that the Horses never left kicking at it, til there was noe shape of a man left. Againe, Barnazano an excellent Landskip-worker counterfeited Strawberies so livelie vppon a wal in a Landskip, that the Peacockes (supposing them to bee naturall) pecked at them. Who likewife (in a table donne by Cafar Sestius where hee had painted Landskipes) drewe certaine birdes sitting uppon the hearbes with such arte, that the table being set abroade in the sunne, other birds came slying about them, taking them for live birdes. This table is now to be seene with Vicont Prospero a Knight of Millan and a great scholler. Howbeit it may seeme frivolous to stand uppon these meaner wonders, insomuch as this Arte of Colouring affordeth farre greater: beeing able to represent the true difference betweene all liuing creatures, whether they bee beaftes, birdes, or fishes: distinguishing moreouer men of all countries and conditions; by most significantly expressing all the passions of their mindes, and allmost the very voyce it selfe. Soe meere a nothing is the most naturall counterseiting of each seuerall complexion. Touching the Elements, it can resemble the flashings of the light, the fyer, aire, water, fountaines, cloudes, lightnings, thunder, stormes, and whatsoeuer else is any way capeable of the vertue of Colour; which I will ouerslippe, concluding, that the vertue thereof is so mightie, that there is no bodilie creature, but may bee most linelie expressed thereby.

Which prerogative of this part of painting, is (in my judgement) the

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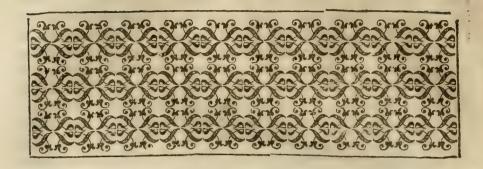
greatest glory that may befall any Arte: being moreouer herein superior vnto all other artes, insomuch as it worketh by the helpe of the Eie, which is the principall sense, representing the beauty and formes of all Gods creatures. Neither yet doth it onely expresse the outward formes of things; but also discovereth certaine inward passions; painting, and as it were laying before our eies, the affections of the mind, with their effects: whence it is likewise availeable to Civile discipline; since hereby we may represent worthy and famous men, and by the helpe of speculation, Vertue it selse.

Wherefore it is worthy to be embraced and reverenced of all, as an especiall gift of God, for the increase of Morall and Civile behaviour, as also for the glory of Painters, whose rare workes make knowne the power and force of the Arte, which is so manifold, that it is a rule and direction to all other arts, insomuch as it ministreth them examples of saire and beautifull works. Which could neuer be donne without the helpe thereof: as may appeare by such workes, as were done about the times, when this worthy arte laie buried. Whence we are admonished to be thankefull to God for the restauration thereof, by bestowing the perfect knowledge of divers parts thereof, vppon sundrie of those worthy Maisters, which I have before mentioned; who have made it no lesse famous, then those other most ancient and renowmed workemen.



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OF THE NECESSITY OF COLOVRING.

CHAP. II.



ECAVSE it is now high time, to put that draught in colours, which I have hitherto talked of (that so the picture may growe to the better perfection) my purpose is in this present booke, to intreate of colours, and their natural concorde and discorde; as well in regarde of their Matter, as of their mixture and appearance, how each of them servet to each severall kind of Painting; and last of all how they

are to bee vsed for carnations. Notwithstanding I meane not precisely to handle them all, but onelie the principall, for plainenesse and brevity sake. And in these I will touch their most important effectes and mixtures, not striving to shewe in what partes of the earth all the natural colours growe, or of what matters the artificial are made, as little appertayning to our purpose. And because the quantities of their Mixtures are so infinite in number, that they can hardely be knowne, I will mention onely certaine of the chiese, by whose example we shale be directed into the rest.

VVhere (by the waie) wee are to vnderstand, that this parte of Painting, is of smale value without the rest. So that where they shall all concurre together, they will adde a marvailous grace to thinges, by expressing the whole force, purpose, and designement of excellent Painters; free from that consustion of colours, which (with griefe) wee daylie see in the workes of rude and vnskillfull workemen.

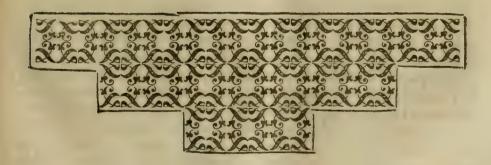
Now concerning the necessity of colouring (which is my chiefest purpose

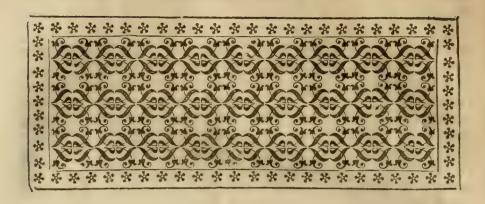
purpose in this chapiter:) surely without it painting can in no sorte attaine to perfection: infomuch as it addeth a kinde of true spirite and life, to all fuch thinges as are first artificially dravvne, which recease so much the more grace and persection, by hovve much the more neatelie they bee coloured. For by the helpe of colours thus indiciouslie disposed, the eies of those mournefull countenances (mencioned in the former booke of Motions) vvil looke pale, of fooles vvanne and voide of al bloud, of angric folkes fierie, and of such as weepe blackish; The like differences vvil appeere in hearbes, plantes, fruites, living creatures, stones garmentes, hayre &c. If vvee shall give eache of them their proper colours, dravvne partlie from Nature and partly from conceipt. All which precepts together with those which followe, will inable vs to counterfeit all thinges most properlie, as the Sun-beames, the starres, the night and dawning of the daie, thunder, lightning, clouds, comets, the evening, faire wether, windes, tempest at sea, and whatsoever else beeing first delineated by the Painter, requireth the iudicious perfections of colours, in which the exacte skill of Heighthninges and Deepeninges, Lightninges and shaddowes dependeth.



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THE DEFINITION OF COLOVR:

HOW MANY KINDES THEREOF THERE BEE: AND WHENCE THEY ARE CAYSED.

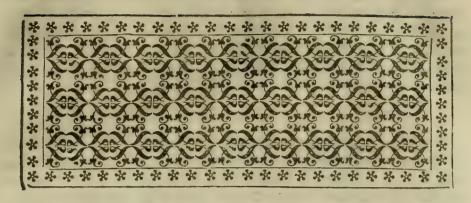
CHAP. III.



RISTOTLE defineth Colour to be, a visible qualitie limited & bounded in the surface or extremity of a darke body, which before it be lightned, is visible onely in possibility; & by the benefit of the light may be actually seene. So that colour is caused by the light in a darke or thick body, by the mutuall working of the first qualities. Now there be 7 sortes of simple colours, from which all the rest arise. Of these 2 are extreames, as white &

Blacke, and 5 middle, as light yeallow, redde, purple, Blewe and Greene.

Now concerning the generation of colours, Colde produceth white, wherever much light is required. Heate ingendreth Blacke, proceeding from a smale quantity of light and much heate. Red is made by the mixture of white, and blacke. Violet or pale of much white and a little red: Safron colour or yeallow of much red & little white. Purple of much red and a little blacke, and greene of a little blacke and much red. And this may suffice for the soundation and originall of colours. Wherefore now I come to the matters whereof they are made.



OF THE MATTERS OF COLOVES.

CHAP. IIII.



HE Matters of all such colours as are in generall vse with vs now a daies, are for the most part, knowne. And first the matters of whites are gypsum, Ceruse, VVhites white-lead and the pouder of white marble. And here by the way! wil discouer a rare secret, which wil cause the colours in Frisco to continue as faire as if they were laid while the chalke is fresh: namely the white of an egge beaten very thin and mixed with your co-

lours as occasion shall serve: the purest and fayrest whereof being strained very thin, serveth to make a good carnation in distemper. The matters of reallowe, are the reallowe of the Flaunders fornace and of Almany, commonly called mast icot and generall. They which make blewe are the vitramarine Blewes. and that of Hongary, and also Smaltes, of which that of Flanders, is counted the best. They which make Greenes; are greene bize, Verdigreafe, ver. Greenes. detto called holy, inclining towards a yeallow (which with vs is called pinke) verditer, and verde de barildo. * Morello di ferro; and di sale, doe make a Morello (which colour is either bay or murrie) and so doth burnt Vitrioll, Cilestroor sad azure, and darke indico. Reddes are made of the 2 cynnabars Reddes. called Vermilions Natural and Artificial, and of the red earth called Maioli- Sanguine. ca, otherwise browne of Spaine. Sanguine is made of all sortes of Lake. O- Orengerenge-tawny, of Redlead, or burnt Orpigment. And this is the Alchymy of tawnie. the Venetian painters. The shaddowes of carnation are the earth of Cam- Shaddowes pania, and Vmber called Falfalo, burnt verditer, aspaltum, mummia &c. finally Blacks are made of burnt Ivory, the thels of almondes burnt, ball blacke, Blackes, Lampe-blacke; and blacke made of a kind of rubbish called blacke earth.

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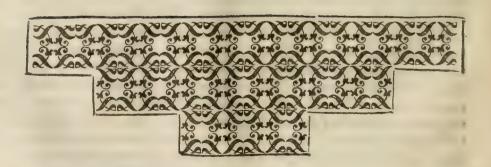
Of all which colours these are Artificiall: the made Vermilion, the 3. yeal-lowes, smaltes, red-lead, lakes, Indico, Ceruse, holy-greene, verdigrease, and verde de barildo. All the rest are Naturall (saue certaine washing colours) as inke, turne soll, pasta spinzaurivo, saffron, bole-armoniacke to lay goulde with, Oker burnt, and soote, which is much vsed in drie workes either vp-pon a wal, or on paper.

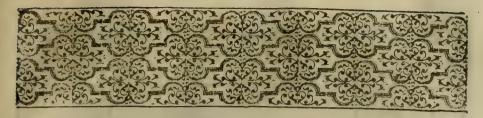
VVashing colours.

For washing or drawing on paper these colours serue. For Blackes inke, blacke lead, blacke-chalke, and the cole of a willowe, or dogge-wood tree: for Reddes, the red-stone called apiso, which was much vsed by Le: Vincent; and for Whites, white-lead or or Ceruse. And so I proceede, to note what agreement everie one of these colours have with eache kinde of Painting.

M Y autiour seemesh beere, so pus Morello for a Murrie or darke blewe colour; which me shinkes might bee so understood, if hee did not for the most pars, joyne morello di servo and morello di sale sogisher. For either the sinders of the smither forge, or the scales which slie of in beating the red hot iron uppon the anuill, being grounde, doe make a darke blewe colour. But as for morello disale, is must needed be the rust of sales, called flos salis, whereof Mathiolus 1. 5.c. 88.uppon Dioscovides writing saith, that it is of a saffron colour, in these words: There is a reddish colour like unto rust digged out of the German sale mines, much desired of the Painters, which peradventure is, ipse flos salis: the flower it selfe of sale, for it is like it in colour and tast; and is commonly called Morello disale. Wherefore I rather thinke that it is the Rust of iron, and the Rust of falte, making naturally a Bay colour: for which cause I have still translated them the Rust of iron and sale: though in some places they agree not in colour as they are named in the mixture. So that I imagine there is some errour crept into the booke, which by mine owne paines I cannot yet sind, nor by my conference with many good Painters and Chymistes.

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WHAT SORTS OF COLOURS

AGREE WITH EACH KIND OF PAINTING.

CHAP.



E CAVSE some colours canot be wrought in all the 3 kinds of painting, as in Frisco which is don vpon fresh chalke, Oile worke, and Distemper but they will die, I meane therfore to distinguish the, as they agree with each of them severally. And first of all cocerning Frif The colours co for whites, drie white is vsed, & the *morello of falt. to bee vsed in Oflight yeallowes, that of the furnace of Flanders & Therisa white oker. Of Blewes, smalt, the greater part of Azures, spe- morello disale.

cially the vitramarine. Of Greenes, greene bize, & verditer. Of murries that Mathiol: vpon of iron. Of Reddes maiolica. For shaddowes of carnation, falsalo, and the Dios. earth of Campania. For blackes; the * balle-blacke; and blacke earth.

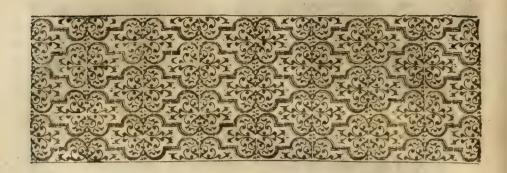
Nero di balla de di Scaglia.

Colours for Oyle. These colours are to be vsed in Oilezof whites whitelead; of yeallows al sorts, where Orpigment is to be mixed with the * powder of glasse. Of Blewes all * For a drier. the azures, & some kind of smalts. Of Greene, Verdigrease, & *pinke: of Murries, that of iron, skiecolour, & Indico. Of Reds all forts; of Sanguine, all lakes. of Orenge-tawny redlead, and burnt orpigment. Of shaddowes all that are named. And of Blackes all fortes.

Colours for Distemper.

Now for Distemper, Drie worke and washing all colours may be vsed. And here I wil not conceale an other conceited kinde of working with Pastilles, Drie working which are roules with sharpe points made of colours, first ground into pou- with Passiller. der, a matter of no great difficulty to doe, whose especiallest vie is vpon paper; & was much vied by Le: Vincent, who wrought the heades of Christ & the 12. Apostles, in this fort most exquisitely. Which kinde of worke as it is most casily and speedily done, so is it as lightly defaced. But concerning the artificial practize of colours in all sortes of works, Bernardus de campo Cremonensi hath written a large & learned treatile, whose industrious works shew his great knowledge in the true practise thereof.

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OF THE NATURAL AGREEMENT AND DISAGREEMENT BETWEENE THE COLOURS.

CHAP. VI.

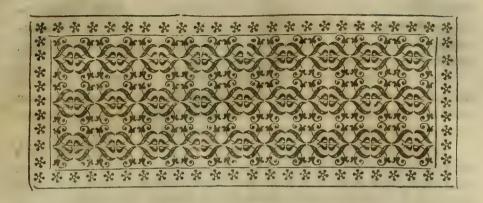


HERB is moreover a naturall concord & discord betweene the colours theselues; insomuch, that is some colours be mixed together, they will presently destroy each other. Which is seene in our daily experience. For Gyp sum agreeth with all colours except verdigrease, and so doth Cerusse, saue that it is an enemy to drie white, which likewise agreeth only with the powder of marble, and all yeallowes, saue that of Almany.

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Orpigment and Vitriollagree with azures, smalts, greene azur, verditer, rust of iron, browne of Spaine, falfalo, the earth of Campania, cole, & blacke earth: but is an enemy to * graine and the rest. Or pigment is enemie to all saue gypsum, oker, azures smaltes, greene bize, verditer, rust of iron, browne of Spaine, and lake. Oker agreeth with all: and so doth yeallow of Almany, except with drie white. Or pigment and vitriollare friendes to azures, and smalts, which accord with all . Verdigrease admitteth any, except or pigment, gypsum, drie white, powder of marble, greene of barildo, vermilion and red lead: Greene bize withall, except verdigrease. Verdetto will indure any, saue Orpigment: Verditer liketh all, and so doth morello. Indico is an enemy to drie white; but a friend to all besides. The artificiall vermilion, agreeth not with chalke, verdigrease and orpigment: *maiolica and red lead agree with all, sauc that redlead disagreeth with verdigrease, drie white orpigment & verdetto. Vmbers accord with all; and so doe blackes; saue burnt Ivory, and lamp-blacke; which ferue for oyle. The other concordes and discordes betweene colours, I omit as being of small moment.

Browns of Spaine.



VVHAT MIDDLE COLOVRS A-

RISE FROM THE DIVERS MIX-TVRES OF THE SIMPLES.

CHAP. VII.



Y meaning is not to speake of the mixtures of colours as they concerne each kinde of worke particularly, but onely of those which belong vnto Oyle. Because from these you may draw the observation for the other sorts of worke; by mixing such colours as agree with that manner of worke you have in hand. As in Frisco you must vie drie white in steede of white lead in oyle. Neither will I stand to limite out the precise quantitie of

the colours to be mixed: because mixture being onelie a confusion of divers matters together, may be understood by the example of other things mixed together; the exact quantities whereof practise will best learne vs: Iudging it more necessarie, to shew what colours serue for the true expres-

sing of all naturall things.

First then white lead mixed with yeallow oker, maketh a pale strawcolour; & by adding thereto a little yeallow, it maketh the lightes of Aberne havre, much like boxe. With Azure it maketh skiecolour, and likewise with smalt: though different: with Verdigrease the colours of all leaves and herbes, as the willowe, the olive aud such like dead greenes; but much sweeter and with more variety, by putting thereto a little Pinke. VV hite mixed with Pinke, maketh a yeallowe like vnto Generall.

And in Frisco being mixed vvith drie white, it produces very beautifull. vvhich was the invention of Perino dell Vaga. VV hite with the rust of iron makes the Aggate colour. And with Indico skiecolour, and the colour of

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the Saphire, Iacinth, and Turkey though somewhat faint. With Vermilion the colour of vnripe strawburies; with carnation the damaske rose colour; with Vmber and other shaddowing earthes, the colour of the barkes of trees, blockes, wood, stones, hayre &c. And with blacke, a darke tawny, and the colour of smoake, in the second degree.

reallowe mixed with azure and smalte make certaine greenes much vsed in the Landskippes, and apparrell: and with Indico a deadder greene
then the former; but much the fresher by adding orpigment. These yeallows

mixed with Vermilion, make the colour of fire, and of thining.

Azures and smaltes mingled with pinke, make a darke greene, with lake the peacocke colour or sadde murry; with Vmber they loose their colour, and with blacke are darkened and decaied. Verdigrease with pinke makes a very fresh greene, something towardes a yeallowe: with Indico a darke tawny. With Vmber it decayeth, and with blacke it is darkened. Indico with Lake makes a sadde Peacocke colour; with blacke and lake the colour of iron, silver, glasse, Christall, tin &c. especially being mixed with balle blacke.

Azure hath the same effect with Indico.

Vermilion and lake make the colour of ripe strawburies, roses, redlippes, vubies, bloud and skarlet; the same mixtures with white, make the colour of

red cheekes, of faire carnation and damaske roses.

make the colour of Vermilion, and sweeten vmber in the shaddowe of carnation, and mingled with azure they make the colour of dry roses or purple. Azures, smaltes, or Indico, with lake and blacke make the colour of blacke velvet; and by adding white, the lightning or lights of ashecolour velvet and sattens. Oker with lake vermilion and blacke make a tawny; and are lightned with white; and by putting in steede of blacke a little vmber, and in steede of vermilion and blacke, burnt oker, may likewise bee lightned; but without Vmber make a colour more freshe and crimsonlike.

Teallow and vermilion make an orenge-tawny like red lead.
Oker, browne of Spaine, and blacke make a colour like Vmber.

All which mixtures are lightned and diversie varied accordinglie as they are mixed with vahite more or lesse. VVhence arise sundrie medlies in Landskippes as hilles, and trees; where cerusse is mixed with pinke and azure.

Lake and azure make the violet and columbeane colour, and besides a sad murrie, and the smale wrinkles in apparrell, especially Sattens, the like it

doth with Indico.

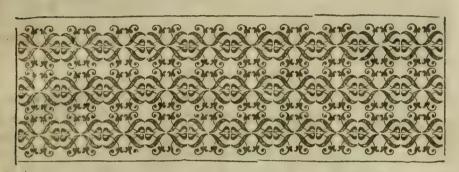
Verdigrease and pinke make the greene fieldes, Smaragds, and garments of like colour: it lightneth all darke colours, and maketh the luster of Diamonds, giaffe, armour &c. Besides it lightneth all bodies of what colour so ever, according to their degrees.

White mixed with blacke, Vmber, lake and Indico, make a light ashecolour; with Vmber and blacke the sariccio; with oker and browne of Spaine the toppes of hilles and rockes scorched with the sunne; and with reallowe

and

and Vermilion the light of the flame . Yeallowe lightneth the fire being mixed with divers colours.

And these are all the principall mixtures of colours; from the consideration whereof, we may draw all the rest: wherefore they ought to be made familiar vnto vs in all the other kinds of worke.



OF THE AGREEMENT OF LIGHT AND DARKE COLOVRS WITH EACH OTHER

CHAP. VIII.



OREOVER it behooueth a Painter to know, how one colour will shaddow and lighten an other: to the ende, that whensoever he would make a coloured garment, the light and darke colours may yeelde a sweete concord, which is neglected by them who in yeallow cloth vie red shaddowes; or in white blewish, red or other colours, which have no affinity therewith.

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It is therefore to be observed, that white agreeth onely with blacke, neither can it bee shaddowed with any other colour then that, insomuch as they are both extreames.

Teallowe.

The best shaddow for generall Yeallowe and Orpiment is Oker, but the yeallowe of Almany being sadder then this, must bee shaddowed with a sadder Oker.

Blewe

Blewe.

Azures and smaltes shaddow those skiecolours, which are made of them and white mixed together.

Greene.

Verdigrease shaddoweth those mixtures which are made of it and white.

Pinke and the Rust of Iron, morello di sale, and indico, shaddowe all such mixtures as are made of them: and so doe Vermilion, and browne of Spaine.

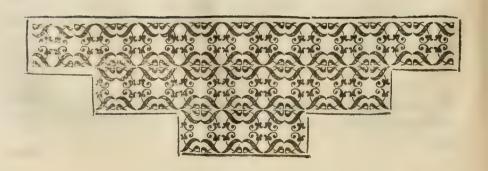
Lake with browne of Spaine shaddoweth orpigment: Al the other mixt colours named in the former chap are shaddowed with those colours, whereof they are made.

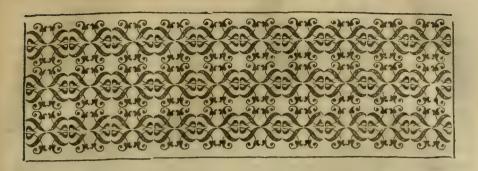
The second degree.

Now in the second degree, yeallow oker which shaddoweth light yeallow, may be shaddowed with burnt oker and burnt lake. Burnt and sad oker is shaddowed with omber mixed with burnt oker, browne of Spaine, or lake. Azures and Smaltes are shaddowed with indico, and with blacke and lake together. Verdigrease with blacke and indico. Pinke with Vmber, the Rust of iron, morello di sale, and blacke. Vermilion with lake, burnt oker, or it selse mixed with blacke.

The third degree.

In the third degree, blacke and lake shaddow true yeallow: for the sadde is shaddowed with blacke: in like manner vmber and burnt oker are shaddowed with blacke. Lake shaddoweth all the mixtures of it and white. The like of vermilion. Finally vmber shaddoweth all colours cleerer then it selfe: wherein we must ever have regard to their dimnesse and freshnesse, as generally in all other colours, respecting the qualities of the lightning and shaddowing colours, that so we may sitly sute them with the ingredientes of the true middle colour, which they lighten and shaddow.





OF THE TRANSPARANT CO.

LOVRS, AND HOW THEY
ARE WROVGHT.

CHAP. IX.



Ecavs ethere be some Transparent colours as Lake, Verdigrease, and verditer which are naturally so thin and bodilesse, that they cannot be wrought; it is therfore requisite, that I say somethinge concerning the manner how they are to be wrought. The Oile Painters wie these colours to counterfeit all cleere transparent bodies, as Carbuncles, Rubies Sc. which being first grosly wrought with conterfeit mixtures of dead

colours voide of transparancie and brightnes, are afterwards laxeered over with simple, pure and cleane lake, which doth most artificially represent those lightes and shaddowes, which in truth are not there, making them seeme as if they were covered ouer with burning glasse, whereby they doe most neerely resemble the life. Now this cannot be done in Frisco, where the lightes and shaddowes are given onely by the stroakes of the draught. After the same order, verdigrease and verditer give the lusters and transpaparencie to Smaragdes and the like transparent matters.

These colours are likewise vied to give the lusters and shinings of sattens and silkes being altered from their naturals colours, when they are wrought vpon the abot sered or grossly layed colours, which custome hath so prevailed with many, that respecting onely vaine shewes, without any regard of the precepts of arte, they vie it not onely in the aboue named apparrels, but also in drapery of contrary stuffes, which in no fort require the Luster of silkes. Insomuch that now a daies they will make no cloth of pure mixture like vnto wollen, or linnen, but they lighten it cleane ouer with these shi-

ning colours. Whence it may truely be faied that the arte of Painting in respect

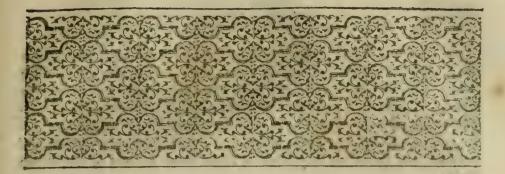
respect of the point of colouring is corrupted, insomuch as this shining of picture is so much esteemed in this age, that no picture (be it neuer so good) will please the vulgar eie without it. Wherefore it was practized with great discretion; by divers who were reputed the fathers and first inventors hereosi the worthiest whereos i have named in the ende of the first booke, to the great honour of the Flemmings in this point: of whose workes I have seene certaine tables in oile, in that noble antiquary Iulius Calistanos house, by which I gather, how sparingly they vsed this freshnesse of shining. For in these pictures, you should see nothing but pure mixtures representing the truth, and that with great admiration to the beholders. So that those workemen deserved no small commendation; namely Gill: Mostardo, Pier: Brugell, Iames Grimaldo, Franciscus Florus, and Martine Hemskerke.

But to the purpose, we ought moreover to propose to our selues the examples of the life, marking whether therein we finde this vanity of affected flourish, which appeares in divers excellent workes, of such as have carefully imitated it when occasion served, and omitted it againe, when the matter required it not, to the ende they might not confound their delineation therewith; as may appeare by the workes of the above named Painters, who were ever the greatest enemies to this corruption, truely so called, because besides that the true vertue of the arte is not shewed, there are oftentimes divers grosse errours committed, insomuch as it hath bin vsed not onely in the garments of the Saints, but even of Christ himselfe, and our Lady, by representing them in glittering and lascivious attire which

But to the matter, there are other transparent colours, which are wrought vppon the grosser groundes, to give them their due lusters. For aspaltum giveth the luster of the aburne and chestnut coloured haire; and so doth vnber finely mixed with lake: and were much vsed by Le: Vintent, Ra: Vrbine, Casar Sesto, Andreas de Sarto, and many others, who had a very sweete and delicate handling, as Anto: de Coreggio, Titianus, Gaudentius, and Boccacino, who was speciall good in colours, and very ingenious in his draught, as appeares by his workes in Cremona his countrie and other places, especially in velvet, tustaffatie, and damaske, mixing them with divers coloure

agreeable to the natures thereof.





OF THE ORDER OF MA-KING CHAVNGEABLES.

(HAP. X.



HEREAS this flourishing beauty (not only of the meere and intire colours, but also of such Changeables as are taken fro the brightnes of stones) hash proceeded thus farre, I may not omitte the handling thereof: not because I approoue of such as we them otherwise then they shoulde, but to the intente they may become up to their due places, as in bright garmentes appertaining to the Nymphes of the meddowes, ri-

uers, groues &c: as also to certaine Angels whose vestures have resextons like to the Raine bow. Now this is very delightsome to the beholder,
and is called the order of making Changeables, which are chiefly stuffes of
silke, whose lightes are of one colour, and their shaddowes of an other;
which variety giveth the last and perfectest grace and sweetnes to pictures.
And because for the bringing of them to the better perfection, there is a
certaine order required in the making of them, I purpose to set downe certaine generall rules, from whence all the orders of making them may bee
drawne, according to their three degrees. In the first whereof simple white
clone is vsed for the light; In the second light yeallowes and several mixtures
of White, togither with all other colours of like brightnesse. In the thirde
degree, all those colours which are shaddowed with the last shaddow save
one, and blacke.

The first degree.

Wherefore, in the first degree VV hite may be shaddowed with faint retlow, skie-colour, light greene, pinke mixed, the light aggate colour, light blew, carnation, violet, light purple, light tawny, ash-colour, flame colour, and lighte ash-colour.

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The second degree.

In the second degree the light colours and cleere mixtures which serve for shaddowes (in the first degree where the lightes of changeables are white) must be shaddowed in this sorte when you would give them their beauty. They which make the shaddow for Straw-colour, are oker, the aggate colour, skie-colour, purple, sad ash-colour, tawny, the sad rose-colour, violet, azure, smalt, verdeter, pinke, ash-colour, vermilion, browne of Spaine, and redlead: and so likewise they shaddow all the other colours of this thirde order.

The thirde degree.

The shaddowes of the simple and immixt colours of the thirde degree, suppose the aggate colour, are burnt oker, darke blew, peacocke colour, tawnie, the ruste of yron and of salte, indico, lake, umber, skie colour, and the rest in their seuerall kindes and orders. Blacke likewise shaddoweth them all, as white lightneth them al; but especially such as have any affinitie therewith, as blacke shaddoweth those which agree with it selfe.

So that according to these rules the changeables being heighthned and darkened with blacke and white, may produce about some 3584 sortes of

· the first degree.

Of derivatives from the first mixture there are made halfe so many vidze 1792, belonging to the second degree; and of the heightning of the pure light colours and bright mixtures of the same darkenesse, 128 kindes appertaining to the thirde degree. After which follow those eight darke colours, and after them blacke; and these only are the most ordinary, because they may be made of the others (as is shewed.) for by taking insteade of white a light or yeallowith mixture, and those medlies with some of the 8 obscure colours, it maketh a shaddow whence will arise great variety, though somewhat melancholike, because in vniting them togither, they passe through so many kindes of mixtures as can hardly be imagined, much lesse named, and yet participating them all &c.

Of the other changeables which may be wrought from foure or fixe colours diverfly interchanged and mixed, may arise more then an hundred thousand several colours.

And thus the vaine worlde wholly set vpon shewes and delighting in the meere beauty of colours, neglecteth the substance of the arte, which hath nothing to doe with these consused mixtures of colours: Howbeit some haue both taken delight herein, and sought credit and estimation thereby &c. Notwithstanding it is evident, that the chaungeables of the seconde and thirde order (as beeing grave and full of maiestye) were much vsed by Raphaell Vrbine, who shaddowed darke redde with murrie, and in a word all other colours with such colours as have affinity with them and agree with the saddest changeables. By which rule of so grave and wise

wife a mafter those painters may (with shame enough) be put in minde of their error, who being vtterly ignorant of the true colours of apparell, leape from one extreame to an other, as from the first degree to the thirde, confounding them togither without grace and beauty. Whosoener therefore is desirous to better his practise in these matters, may (besides these present instructions) beholde the workes of Gaudentius that most renowned and truely famous Painter in this behalfe; as the Angels painted in the vault of Saint Maries di Sereno, in Milane, and in Saint Maries de Gratia in the chappell of Saint Corona. Which are the most part arraied in admirable changeables; and in Valtelina in Trahona, and at Morbegno, and finally in all his other workes, wherein he theweth the fineneffe of his wit, in pearcing so deepely into the sweete agreement of colours; that it is impossible for any man to make changeables, more fresh, more naturall, or more agreeable to art. Howbeit diverse others have excelled heerein befides Gaudentius: 25 Cafar Sesto Titiano, Perino, Pordonone, de, though the about named were the best. But amongst all Franciscus Matzolinus was the most diligent observer, but especially in medlie cloathes, which are therefore had in great request, because they doe not offende or hurt the fight. Wherefore I conclude, that who foeuer in making of chaungeables. shall not carefully imitate the fore-named workemen, may be sure his drapery will looke more like stones spotted with diverse colours, made to please the eiesthen resemble true stuffes.



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OF THE EFFECTES CAV-SED BY COLOURS.

CHAP. XI.

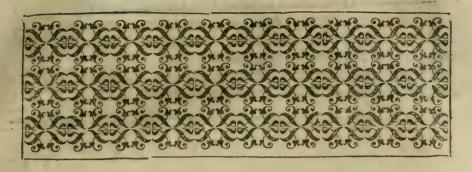


ECAVSE all colours have different qualities, therefore they cause diverse effects in the beholders, which arise from an inwarde contrariety of their causes (as Aristotle teacheth) which I purpose here so far forth to lay open, as shall make for the understanding, of that which shalbe spoken hereaster: because hence we may learne, the reason why some colours agree togither, and others doe not, with other particularities

which shalbe touched. First therefore blacke, light, earthie, lead-like and obsource colours, by reason of their heavy qualities, being apprehended by the
eie, doe breede in the minde of the beholder tardity, musing, melancholie,
&c.Blacke, greene, the colour of the saphire, reddish, or obscure of the colour of gold and silver mixt togither as yellow, yeelde a pleasurable sweetenesse. Redde, fiery, slame colour, violet, Purple, the colour of iron red hote, and
Sanguine cause courage, providence, fiercenesse and boldnesse by stirring
vp the minde like fire. Gold colours, yellowes, light Purples, and other bright
colours make a man vigilant, adding grace and sweetenesse. The Rose colour, light greenes, and bright yellowes, yeeld ioy, mirth, delight &c.

White ingedreth a kinde of simple attentio more melancholy then other-wise. In a word all mixt colours, differing each from other, procure earnest desire, variety, and Phantasticalnesse. And these are the qualities of colours, in the disposition whereof we must be careful, that wee make no disorder or confusion in the eie of the beholder. But concerning the manner of disposing them in histories, and all other workes, it shall be briefly and plainelie shewed in the booke of Practise: And now I will onely handle them as they

were vied of the ancient.



OF BLACKE.

CHAP. XII.



HE Athenians were wont when any misfortune befell them, to attire themselues in Blacke: the Romanes
also expressed their sorrow and griese, with the like
garments, as we read of Crassus, who vpon the death
of a sish, which he tooke delight in, ware a mourning
weede. Whence (as Cicero writeth in an Epistle to
Atticus) those which vsed to come to banquets of
mirth in such mourning attire, were worthily repre-

hended.

Plato in his Timeus writeth, that the women of Dania went alwaies in Blacke, which was accounted infamous. The men of Lycia (as Valerius writeth) when they mourned, vsed to put on womens apparell of blacke, to the ende that being put in minde by the vnseemelinesse thereof, they might leave of their sorrowe the sooner: which attire was not much vnsike that, which is now a daies vsed of such as mourne for the death of their nearest

friendes, which is commonly called gramaglia.

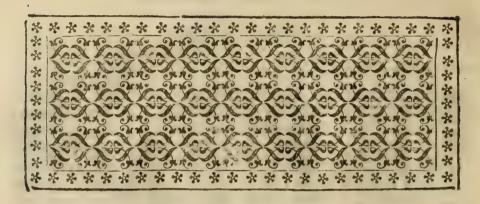
In diverse places of the olde testament, blacke is taken for a token of vn-happinesse. Aristobulus said that all the Egyptians seemed sooles for weating blacke apparell: wherefore some thinke that blacknesse is a signe of madnesse and folly: because (as the natural Philosophers write) sooles and mad men are over-charged with blacke choller. Virgis An.3 writeth that in great tempests which bring heavinesse, and threaten death, they vsed to sacrifice a blacke sambe. And Terence saith that a blacke dogge hath very enill abodement. They vsed to offer a blacke sacrifice to the infernal Gods. The Danish woemen after the destruction of their country, arraied themselves all in Blacke. Pythagoras was wonte to saie, that blacke appertained to the nature of evill. And Ovid in his investives vsed the same, as also Horace, Tully and Apuleius in magicke. Mecto and the three Furies of hell were represented in blacke, according to Virgil Aencid. 7.

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In like fort Sphinx and Celano, the worst of the Harpies. And therefore the Painters make the Divellblacke, because blackenes hath a certaine inclination vnto sadnesse. And the Poets call Death blacke. And Aristotle saith that only blacke will take none other hew: whence some will have it signisse constancie, and sometimes obstinacie.

But to conclude these significations of colours, blacke and all other co-

lours signifie either good or euill, as they are rightly applyed.



OF WHITE.

CHAP. XIII.

HITE, because it is apt to receive all mixtures, signifieth simplicity, puritie, and elation of the minde (as some say) of which colour Virgill writing Æn. 6. attributeth it to the garmentes of chaste Friestes, good Poets, witty men, and such as defende there countrie. And Persius saith that a white man is interpreted to be a good and sincere man. Numa Pompilius who was borne with a white bearde, and Titus Tarquinius,

were goodkings. Amongst the twelve princely signes of the olde Romanes, the chaire of state was made of white pollished Ivory, in token of purity. Aristander when he praied to the gods in that great expedition of Alexander against Darius, was clad in a white mantel, as well became a pure and chaste Priest. When the Grecian widdowes would shew their sincerity and vprightnesse tweether husbandes, they vsed to aray themselves in white cloath washed, as Plutarch avoucheth out of Isocrates. The an-

cient

tient Romane mattons likewise did weare a white fillet vpon their head, to note their simplicity. The ancient Agyptians and some others (as Sueto-eim in his Nero writeth) were wont to wrappe their dead in white mantles, signifying thereby that the body was brought to his ende, being deprived of his soule. And this custome was common to divers other people, as we may finde by sundry places of Servius, Ovid, and Virgill. And no man can be ignorant, that the Hebrewes vsed to bury after this fashion, insomuch as we reade in the Scripture that Christ was so buried. In the Sacrifices of Ceres, her Priestes were araied in white vestures. And the Angels that appeared vpon the tombe of Christ, were in white aray in token of mirthe.

Faithfulnesse, because it is pure, is said to be clothed in white (as Horace amongst many other thinges ingeniously noteth.) The crownes of the ancient Kings were made of a white bande. Whence we reade that Alexander the great tooke from his head his white Diadem to heale the madnesse of Seleucus. And the most antient Priestes of the Egyptians following the precepts of Pythagoras in their Sacrifices, vsed vestures of the purest white linnen cloth: which custome (as some thinke) was taken from the Hebrewes, where the Priestes (as Iosephus reporteth) being purished from al filthinesse,

came to the Temple and altar, apparelled in white.

Saint Hierom in his first booke of the attire of Fabiolasaith that the long gowne to the soote, the habite for the shoulders called horario, the girdle, and the roules of their head were of white linnen: in like manner (according to Ezechiell) they couered their heads with linnen fillets. *Cicero saith Answeralla hartonic is that a white vesture doth specially belong to God. VV hence Pope Syluester refusing the rich and costly miter of Constantine, contented himselfe with one of white, quilted or embrodred. Finally that this colour noteth purity, it may be gathered not onely out of that which hath beene spoken; but also from the habits, which alour Priests weare when they serve at the altar, which is of pure and cleane white linnen.

After which manner also are those cloathed which attende in the church, a custome wholy taken from the Hebrewes. For we may reade of the white vestures of Aaron the high Priest, which were all set with pretious stones, embrodred diversly with gold, with bels and Pomgranates sast-ned to the hemme therof, with such like, whereby it might be knowne when

they went into the holy place.

Some would have white to fignifie blame, because the Iewes apparelled Christ therwith for the greater blame and distaine: And men vie to give sooles and despised persons a white staffe in their handes, whence the taide lewes gave Christ a white reede in his handes. And for this cause Livie Li: 9. maketh mention of a custome of the Samnites which had their garments garded with white linnen, to shewe that they were fresh water souldiers without glory. And this was the reason why those servants which the antient Italians solde, came abroad in publike with white seete, in token that they were not their owne men.

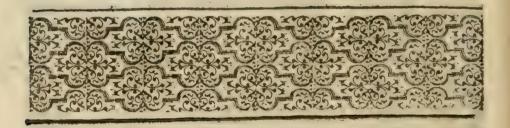
Others would have white importe joye, because the Athenians in the Kk iiij.

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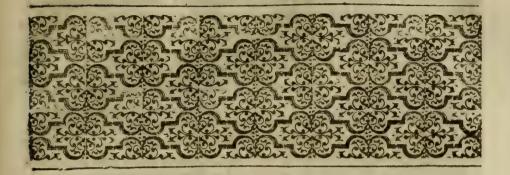
folemnities of the spectacles of Quinquert y (as Lucian writeth in his praise of Philosophie) were all clad in pure vvhite, neither might any man be pre-

fent at them with any other colour.

In like manner the triumphant Church after Christes resurrection, appeared in white garments, in token of ioy. And Christ himselfe when hee would shewe a patterne of the celestial happinesse vnto the 3 Disciples in his transsiguration, shewed himselfe vnto them in a white garment. Some of the ancient, accounted white a sadde, vile, and base colour: whereupon Vegetius vvriteth, that vnexperienced and fresh water souldiers were arraiced in white, whence they were called candidati, signifying therby, that they had not yet imbrewed their handes honourably in the bloud of their enemies: moreouer they bare a white shielde, in token that they were voide of renowne and honour obtained in warre: whence Virgill calleth a white shielde, inglorious: because it was the custome of valiant captaines to write their worthy exploites of warre vpon their shieldes, as we reade of Epaminondas, and Othriades, vvho being ready to die, wroate their glorious exploites and victories vpon their bucklers.







OF REDDE.

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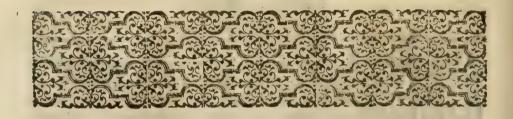
Ends which signifyeth reuenge, in former times was vsed to cover the Hearses of such as had sought valiantly, as we may reade in Homer and Virgill; in imitation whereof, we painters vse to attire those all in red, (or at least to give them a redde mantle) which have shed their bloud for the faith of Christ in toke of their martyrdome: In Campus Martius at Rome, those which canvased for an office in Comities, (to shewe

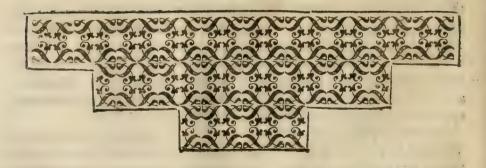
their vnconquerable mindes in vndertaking warre for their countrie) did weare a red, thin, and transparant vaile, to the ende their woundes might the more easily be seene through it: by which demonstration of their valor they attained to such honour and dignity as they desired. Of this colour the ancient Lacedemonians were wont to attire their fresh water souldiers (as Plutarch reporteth) when they sent them into the campe to the ende they might not be discouraged at the sight of their bloud. The Troianes vsed to weare mandilions, and garments of red. Homer 11. 3 bringeth in Paris with a red plume in his helmet, which custome afterwardes the Romanes tooke vp, that they might seeme dreadful to their enemies.

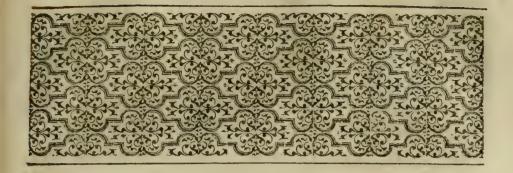
But the Captaines did weare vpon their corssets a garment of crimson velvet, or silke; & in like fort the standard which was carried when the Emperour was present in the field, was of a purple colour, with golden frenge, which purple differed not much from red, with which colour the captaines when they went in triumph vp to the Capitoll (as Plutarch writeth in the life of Pau: AEmylius) were adorned. And this colour was proper to Emperours and Kings, as we may gather by all histories. But to returne to pure red, we reade that Diana and Venus vsed red buskins. And Hellen comman-

ded Eneas that when he offered sacrifice, he should couer his head with a redde mantle. Inchises also when he sacrificed couered his head with redde. The olde vestall virgines to expresse their ardent affections, in the service of their Goddesse, kept a continual burning sier in her temple. And the Cardinals weare redde, to shewe that they are alwaies instamed with love and Charitie. And I remember I have read of the olde Priesses called Salij in Rome, that they daunced in the honor of Mars, in redde garmentes.

Finally we may gather, that red signifieth courage and stomacke, from those beastes which cannot endure the sight of it; as the Lyon, who cannot abide the sight of sire, for seare: and that it incourageth men, may be collected by that golden slame which came downe from heaven miraculously in the forme of a standard of crimson sike to the King of France.







OF THE COLOVR OF

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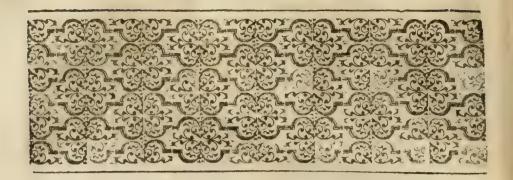
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HE Colour of the Peacocke (which in deede signissieth that which is elsewhere spoken thereof) according to some others noteth a despissing of death for loue, expressing (as they say) a kinde of soolish boldnesse by reason of Lake (which is a sanguine colour) mixed with blewe, whence ariseth a mixt colour betweene *Iupiter* and *Saturne*: The first whereof, because of Mars sheweth courage and folly, the other

by meanes of the darke mixture, a kinde of obstinate consideratenesse, whereupon a man resoluting bringeth it to a soolish ende. But if this were true, out of doubt the Bishops and other Prelates would not weare it, at certaine times, in signe of their great love towardes the holy Church, and the serviceable desire they have for the increase thereof, much lesse would the Cardinals and the Popes themselves weare it in their robes at appointed times as they doe: whereby I conclude that the former signification of this colour is most false and absurde.





OF YEALLOWE.

CHAP. XVI.



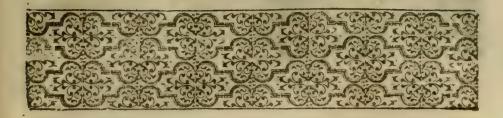
EALLOVVE, insomuch as it noteth a kinde of hope and rejoicing, hath given occasion to some, to apply the lignification of defire and joy thereunto. The ancient held it for the best aboadement, as appeareth by the *Pye, which was dedicated to Mars, the greater part of whose feathers are of this colour; from whence they conceived more hope then from any other thing.

By occasion of this colour, the Athenians called the morning hope. For the daily renewing of Charon (though he were very olde) they affigned him yeallow failes, and of the colour of golde, as Homer writeth. The new married wives of the Romanes (as Vigill An: 1. faith) vsed to adorne their heads with a vaile of this colour called Flamen, to shew that they hoped to beare children. Some would have yeallowe to signifie superiority, because golde being of that colour is the chiefe of all mettals. Whence the vestures, scepters, and crownes of Emperours and Kinges, are adorned with this colour or mettall: in like fort the miters, pastorall thrones, &c. of the Pope, are garnished and ouerlaied with golde.

Last of all the Church militant, Christes spouse, is arrayed with a vesture of pure golde, as it is in the Psalmes, where David saith, that the Queene standeth on the right hande in a vesture of golde. And in token of Iustice, the thrones and judgement seates of the Pope and Emperours are made of golde, whereby is vnderstood that they ought to sit and gouerne

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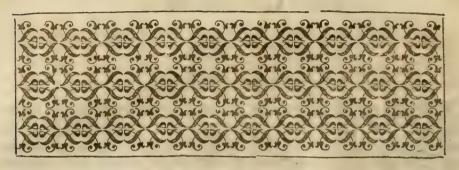
wil now thew the reasons why som by way of cotradictio would have greene (which fignifieth hope) note the end of all things: for although it be not absolutely true, yet notwithstanding a painter may reape no imal commodity, from those reasons: insomuch as they containe many things appertaining to the knowledge of the rites and ceremonies of the ancient Religions. First then we may cosider the ancient custome

of the Priests, in offering vpo their Altar to their God litle fire-brandes tied vnto a greene sticke, whereof, after they were all burned out, there remained nothing but the greene woode whereunto they were bounde: which vie is in part continued untill our daies, infomuch as the waxen tapers are often times dressed in the bottome with greene. For the confirmation of which o- Note pinion, Virg. putteth a greene covering vpon Polidors tombe: and bringing in Andromache facrificing to the Ghost of her husband Hector, he maketh her covering his graue with greene bushes: And in an other place he saith, that Iuturna fore-seeing her brother Turnus his death, did binde his head about with a greene fillet. The ancient in token that Time endeth althinges, bound his head likewise with a greene filler. And we read that the sepulchers of the ancient, were strowed with greene parsely: and that with this they crowned the poets, of whole excellency in poetry they had made triall in versifying, vpon the dead. Vitruvius also sheweth, that the invention of the Corinthian capitell came into vie from the decking of the dead with greene hearbs and flowers. Moreouer, it is reported, that in the graue of Tulliola Ciceros daughter, there was found a Smaragde, which (they faie) Isabell Gonsaga of Este Marquionesse of Mantua, hath at this rime : which argueth the truth of the ancient custome of the Persians, who also vsed those Smaragdes about their dead women: and that with them they espoused them, and with the same they buried them. Plinie also mentioneth this vie of burying and adorning the graues with greene, and of ving the Smaragde where he speaketh of the funerall of king Hermias.

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Finally, Servius saith that the ancient chast matrones covered their chariots with greene. But there might bee divers more reasons brought contrary vnto these, to prooue that greene doth properly significe hope, but because this nice discussing of the significations of colours doth little appertaine to our purpose, I will omit it.



OF BLEVV.

CHAP. XVIII.

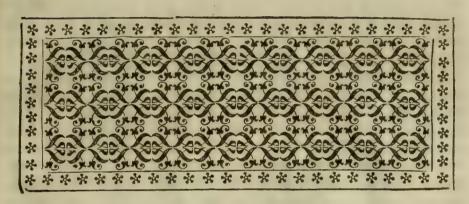


ZVRE Blew, besides other significations that it hath, noteth lostinesse of the minde, saith and zeale, as the Franciscans say. It was vsed by the Virgine Marry in her attire vntill, the passion of her sonne. Besides, many of the Apostles vsed it: And Christ himselse is painted with a garment of this colour. And so doe the Papists represent God the Father, because Azure resembleth the colour of the skie, nearer then any o-

ther. S. Gregorie ordained, that the Friers called Crucigere, should weate habites of this colour. And Isis the ancient goddesse of the Ægyptians, had her Priestes cloathed in this colour, to the intent that the people beholding them, might be put in minde of heaven. Persius sat. I speaking of Blew garments, sheweth that they belong only to such persons, as aspire vnto high matters: And Cicero vsed sometimes to weare this colour, giving men thereby to vnderstand, that he bare an aspiring minde. VVe read in Hester, that king Assurerus had at his chambers hanged with Blew, to thew the lostines of his mind, and last of al we read that the first priests of the Hebrews, did weare long gownes with large sleeves of the Iscinthe colour, vpon which they put their vpper garment called an Ephod in Hebrew, embroidered with purple & silke, & set with the Iscinthe & the Saphire stones, which signific devotion.

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Wherefore it ought to be put vpon the great high priest after the order of Melchisedeck, which is Christ. Whence Ieremy according to the excellency of the service of God, compareth the beauty of the Priest to a Saphire: And old Toby seeing in a vision the wals of Paradise in the forme of a citty, saide that the gates thereof were made of most precious Saphire. And Saint Iohn in the Revelation saith the selfe-same, intending to shew the exceeding great worth and dignity thereof.



OF CERTAINE O-THER COLOURS.

CHAP. XIX.



He ancient kings of Troy, vsed to weare their apparell of the colours of the daies as they passed, & the chiefe nobility and braue soldiours, were wont the first day of Ianuarie, to adorne their bucklets with the colours of that day, in which they meant to goe into the field: Farthermore on Sunday they vsed to weare yeallow, on munday white, on tuesday red, on wednsday blew, on thursday greene, on fryday purple, and on saterday

blacke: The same ancients, vpon the solemne feast daies of each month, according vnto the ceremonies which they vsed in the same, had distinct garmentes and decked with diverse colours. In the month of Ianuary they did weare white: in February ash-colour: In March tawny: In April darke greene: In May light greene: In Iune carnation: In Iuly red: In August yeallow: In September blew: In October violet: In November purple: and in December blacke. The Aggragio of Syria have a custõe of dying their faces with divers

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colours, and they are accounted most noble, that have most variety of colours both in their haire, and in their sleth. The people of Sebastria wrap their heades about with red, to shew that they differ from others in religion which weare white rowles, as the Christians, and some of them beare blewe

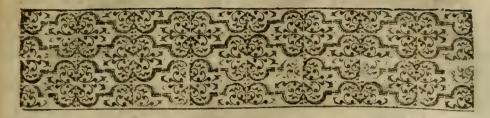
surbantes; and the Iewes beare them yeallow.

The curtaines of Salomons temple were of the Iacinthe colour, of purple and of crimson, and such were the tentes and vailes of Moses his Tabernacle. When Assuerus king of Persia, made his feast with the greatest preparation he could for althe Princes and states, he had at the entraunce of his garden, tentes and pavillions of blew, with ropes of filke fastned to marble pillers. The Romanes had a custome, to cause their kings scepters to be carried by men of party coloured gownes, as also they vsed to have their chariots of triumph drawne by foure white horses. And amongst others Camillus (as Liuie and Plutarch write) vsed a chariot of gold, and wore a costly crowne of golde. The inhabitants of the Iles of Baleari ware their garments cloafed with great golde buttons, which were likewife vied by Cato and Cafar. The Phrygians began afterwardes to vse girdles made of diverse colours. The ancient likewise attributed the siluer colour to Venus, giving her a chariot of Ivorie, to shew what is the proper colour of such as take thought and are heavy. And they made the privities of the God of their Orchardred, and fiery, to feare away the birdes, from pecking the fruite which he had planted. Now although there remaine many other smal matters to be faid concerning colours, notwithstanding I wil here make an end, hauing (in my judgement) touched as much as may suffice for the true customes of people in wearing them:referring the residue to my booke of practile, where I purpose to intreate in particular of the colours of the Elementes, in such fort as they concurre to the making of flesh colour, so that they may represent the pictures of things like to the life.



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A BRIEFE CENSURE OF THE BOOKE OF COLOURS.



Y censure concerning this booke of Colours is; that it is most learnedly and indiciously set downe in general, as may appeare by the processe of the booke: Howbeit, if we shall enter into a more exact & particular consideration thereof, we shall finde it not altogither so apt for the vse of the vnexperienced Painter, as we sin regarde of the definition of colour, as also of the division thereof; both which are meerely Philosophical.

from the sense; them as it immediately respecteth the Painter: vnto whom methinkes I coulde frame this definition out of mine Authors discourse.

Colour is a materiall substance, indued with a qualitie diversly affecting the eie, according to the matter wherein it is founde. That it is a materiall substance he producth chap. 4. where he handleth the matters wherof colours are made, shewing that some of them are taken from minerals and earths, some from the vegetables, and some from the animals. All which, because they are of diverse natures, require a severall handling, as wel in their working, as in their mixtures: for many of them having a natural antipathy and contrariety with each other, doe destroy and corrupt, or at the least blemish each other when they are mixed togither, as by the fixt chapt: appeareth: which discorde ariseth not only from the colours themselves, but partly from those moistures wherewith they are grounde: which beeing of three fortes, they make three feueral kindes of painting, as in the fift chap: may be seene. Now because the exact knowledge of these three sortes of working, is worth the knowledge to each practitioner in the Arte, I wil briefly touch them all orderly; as followeth; vidz: Distemper, Oile worke, and Frisco. The two former are in daily vse amongst vs, and are better knowne vnto workemen, then that they need elearne them of me: howbeit for others fakes, thus in a worde; in Diffempour the colours are grounde with water, and bounde with glew, fife, or gummes of diverse fortes; as gumme hedera, dragagant, or Arabicke, which is held the best. The white of an egge is also vsed, as chapter the fourth teacheth: and sometimes the yolke, as George Valary prescribeth. Of Distemper I note three kindes: In Sife, vsed . Ll iii.

by our common painters vpon cloath, walles &c. In Washing with gurnmed colours, but tempered very thinne and bodilesse, vsed in mappes,
printed stories &c. And in Limming, where the colours are likewise mixed with gummes, but laied with a thicke body and substance: wherein much
arte and neatenesse is required. This was much used in former times in
Church bookes, (as is well knowne) as also in drawing by the life in small
models, dealt in also of late yeares by some of our Country-men; as Shoote,
Bettes &c. but brought to the rare perfection we now see, by the most ingenious, painefull and skilfull Master Nicholas Hilliard; and his well prositing scholler Isaacke Oliver; whose farther commendations I referre to the
curiositie of their workes.

In Oile worke the colours are mixed with the oile of linseede or walnuts, which is reputed the better. This is in daily vse amongst vs and other nations; and as well for the pleasantnesse of the working, as the durablenesse of the worke, is preferred before the rest; and hath beene the occasion, why that famous ancient working in Frisco, hath beene laide aside of late yeares; as complaineth Geor: Vasarie in his treatile of Painting, Chap. 19. out of whose owne wordes I will reviue it againe, to such as will practise is hereafter.



HOW TO PAINT VPON A WALL, AND the reason why it is called Frisco.

Monger all the other fortes of Painting, that which is done voon wall is the most workemanly and beautifull. Because here the Painter must doe all that in one day, which in the other kindes he may run over in many. This kinde was much vsed by the ancient; whom the first of our late workemen have likewife followed: and it was wrought vpon the lime, while it was fresh, and might not be interrupted by any meanes, till the whole daies worke were fully finished, as it was first laide out in the morning; for if it be prolonged neuer so little, the wall will gather a certaine harde crust with the heate, colde, winde, or frost, which will destroy the whole worke. Wherefore the wall and the colours would aske to be continually wetted, this worke is to bee wrought only with fuch colours as are made of earths, not of minerals: the white which is vsed here is the Trevertine stone burnt. Moreover it requires ha quicke and bolde hand, but especially a founde judgement: because the colours shewe after one fashion while the wall is wet, and after an other when it is drie; infomuch that the painter is much more holpen by his discretion, then by his draught; and soo. ner attaineth to perfection by practife, then otherwise. Most of our late workemen have beene better skilled in oile and distemper then in this, as being to much the more difficult, by how much the furer, fairer, and more durable it is then the other workes. It indureth the aire, winde, weather, and all maner of injuries.

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But we must take heede weevse no colours tempered with Sise; the yolkes of egges or gummes, as some Painters vse; because, besides that the wall will not retaine his wonted cleerenesse, the colours wrought thereon will in short time decay and waxe blacke. Wherefore such as worke vpon wals should doe it in Frisco, and neuer touch it ouer againe with drie colours: For that will prooue most base, causing the pictures to be of small continuance; as is elsewhere shewed.

Now as I have in generall runne over the matters of the colours & their feuerall mixtures; so will I (in a worde) touch the Subjectes and Matters whereon these colours are vsually laied and wrought, as a thing not vnwor-

thy our consideration.

First then all sollide substances are capeable of Painters colours; though some more, some lesse, and some fitter for one kinde of temper then others. Whence it commeth to passe that the Painters vse generall groundes, or (as they speake) Primings; saue vpon paper, parchment or vehime, which for the most part will admit the colours immediatly. For some kinde of stones sucke in the moisture so immoderately, that they leave the colours loose and vnbounde, and so doeth wood; other stones, as marbles and the like are so harde, that they will not easily recease the moistures wherewith the colours are mixed: wals, clothes, and the like, have their severall impersections this way: So that many of the matters to be coloured, doe either recease hurt from the malignant nature of some colours, or else hure and blemish them by some evill quality in them remaining, and therefore both the one and the other are to be corrected or prepared by the skill of the workeman: as might be many waies shewed, if I list to stand thereon.



OF THE PAINTING OF VVoemen.

The confideration of which point, hath ministred me just occasion so observe an other Arte of Colouring, more practised then professed. Now as the fore-specified art, is by workemen called Colouring by the life, because some Naturall or Artificiall thing is by the helpe thereot imitated or prefigured; so may I terme this Painting wpon the Life; where a knowne Naturall shape is defaced, that an vnknowne Artificiall hewe may be wrought thereon.

This Arte confishesh of a two of old method; either by way of preparation and abstertion, of some naturall or adventicious imperfections of the skinne, which is done with fomentations, waters, ointments, plaisfers, and other matters, which I meane not to prescribe; or by a more grosse illiture and laying on of material colours; whereby such unpleasing defectes are

rather coucred then abolished and taken away.

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The former vpon occasion is, and I thinke, may in some fort be vsed, but with good discretion, and sparingly, without very much blemish to the party. The latter, as it is vnnaturall, and vnholsome, so must it needes somewhat vary and alter the countenance, if we may credite mine auctor in his sirst booke, Chap: 2. where he sheweth that similitude proceedeth from the colour, which is qualitie, and not from the proportionable feature of the face, which he affirmeth to be meere Quantitie, (though I with riftetle suppose it to be the fourth kinde of Qualitie:) So that whose which we the latter, may seeme rather to be of the race of Prometheus, or some of Dedalus or Pigmalions creatures, then otherwise: Such are the Italian women for the most part. For proofe whereof, I will tell you a pleasant story to this purpose.

A conceited gentleman meeting with an Italian Painter asked him this question; whether was the hardest, to imitate a painted patterne, or to sollow the life; who made answere he could not well teil: and being farther demaunded the reason, how a man of his practise, in a country where the arte is so samous, could be ignorant of that, he replied that hee thought he had scarce euer drawne any by the life, and therfore could not judge; because he neuer came time enough, but that some other Painter had bin vpon the face, before he came at it. Then the Gentleman asked whether was better working on a table or linnen cloth; on neither of these (qd he) so good as on Leather, but the better of the two is cloth: And why on leather best said the Gentleman? Because (said the other) with vs the Best we it.

In this kinde (said the Gentl:) I have no skill, and it seemeth to be either a rare secret; or a meere conceit: Howbeit vpon promise that you wil discouer this to me, I will teach you a pretty receipt of great dispatch in your working vpon cloth: Agreed quoth the Painter: I have read (said the gentleman) how a certaine King sent a cunning drawer to our Sauiour, to take his true counterseit, which when the Painter could not performe by reason of the exceeding brightnesse of his countenance, Christ called for a napkin,

wherewith wiping his face, he left his exact favour therein.

Thus shall you doe when you finde your selfe forestalled: onely the difference is, that you must first lightly wet ouer your cloth with the water wherein commin seede or saffron hath beene steeped: having thus prepared your cloth, clappe it gently to the face, and your worke is done, except now you meane to make an experiment by the true life, vihich you tolde me you could neuer come at before. I have often heard of this story saide the Painter, but neuer had the witte to make this vse of it. Yea (said the Gentl:) cunning till it be knowne is accounted a mistery, but being reuealed, is esteemed but a trifle.

But fir to your promise; now shewe me your secret of working on leather. I shall not neede Sir, for you have saved me that labour: for in teaching me how to take of the coloured complexion, you have left the bare leather plainly to be seene. The Gentl: perceiving how prettily he was met with all in his owne veine, smiled and shooke handes with the Italian.

But to our purpole. if the question arise whether is more to be regarded,

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the substance or the accident, the face and the bodily health, or the exteriour complexion; I make no doubt but in all mens judgement the former will seeme the worthier, and the latter onely so farre foorth to be desired and procured, as it may conveniently stand with the the other, or either friendly accompanie it, or faithfully attend thereon: Howbeit, let vs see how both the one and the other may be best maintained.

Concerning this matter, thus much by reading I finde (which me thinks flandeth vpon good reason) that there are many thinges amongst the Italians in daily vse for this purpose, which are prive enemies both to the one and the other: and least here I might seeme rather to speake rashly of mine owne head, then vpon any good ground, I will acquaint you with mine auctor: Namely M: Leonard Fierovant Knight and Doct: of Physicke in his Speechio della scientia universal.

The lawfulnesse or conveniencie thereof I referre to the divines; onely debating the matter partly like a Physition, and partly like a Painter, As followeth.



A DISCOVRSE OF THE ARTIFICIALL beauty of women.

Aving intreated of so many and divers thinges, I could not but say something of such matters as woemen vse ordinarily in beautifying and imbellishing their faces: a thing well worth the knowledge; in so much as many woemen are so possessed with a desire of helping their complexions by some artificial meanes, that they will by no meanes be disswaded from the same.

Now the things which they vie are these. viz: Ointments of divers sorts; powders, fattes, waters and the like: whereof M: Iohn Modone se Dott: of Physicke hath written at large, in his booke intituled The ornaments of woemen, wherein he teacheth the whole order of beautifying the face.

Now mine intent in this treatise is, onely to discouer the natures of certaine things, which are in daily vse for this purpose: Because it often falleth out, that in steede of beautifying, they doe most vilely dissingure themselues. The reason whereof is, because they are ignorant of the natures and qualities of the ingredients; Howbeit partly by my directions, and partly by Modone ses booke, I hope to content and satisfie them all in such fort, that they shall have just cause to thanke vs both: And in truth for their sakes have I specially undertaken this paines, by teaching the to understande the natures of the minerals, vegetables, and animals which are most applied to this use. So that if any shall hencesoorth fall into the inconveniences after specified, their owne perill be it. And sirst concerning Sublimate.

OF SVBLIMATE, AND THE BAD

effectes thereof.

Iverse women vse Sublimate diversly prepared for increase of their beauty. Some bray it with quicksilver in a marble morter, with a wodden pestle; and this they call argentatum. Others boile it in water, & therwith wash their face. Some grinde it with Pomatum, and sundry other waies. But this is sure, that which way soener it be vsed, it is very offensive to mans sless, and that not only to the face; but vnto all the other parts of the body besides, where it is applied. For proofe whereof Sublimate is called dead sier; because of his malignant, and biting nature. The composition whereof is of salte, quicksilver, and vitrioll, distilled together in a glassen vessell.

This the Chirurgions call a corrosue. Because if it beeput vpon mans shesh it burneth it in a short space, mortifying the place, not without great paine to the patient. Wherfore such women as vie it about their face, have alwaies black teeth, standing far out of their gums like a Spanish mule; an offensive breath, with a face halfe scorched, and an vncleane complexion. All which proceede from the nature of Sublimate. So that simple women thinking to grow more beautifull, become diffigured, hastening olde age before the time, and giving occasion to their husbandes to seeke strangers insteede of their wives; with divers other inconveniences.



OF CERVSSE, AND THE EFFECTS thereof.

The Ceruse or white lead which women vse to better their complexion, is made of lead and vineger; which mixture is naturally a great drier; and is vsed by the Chirurgions to drie vp moiste fores. So that those women which vse it about their faces, doe quickly become withered and gray headed, because this doth so mightely drie vp the naturall moysture of their flesh. And if any give not credite to my reporte; let them but observe such as have vsed it, and I doubt not but they will easily bee satisfied.



OF SCALING OR PLVME-ALVME.

This alume is a kinde of stone, which seemeth as if it were made of row; and is of so hot and drie a nature, that if you make the weeke of a candel therewith, it is thought it will burne continually without going out: A very strange matter, and beyond credit. There bee other pretty thinges reported of this stone; for some will bruse it betweene their singers, and strow it betweene the sheetes of the party, whom they would not have take any sleepe. With this some vie to rubbe the skinne off their face, to make it seeme red, by reason of the instammation it procureth, but questionlesse it hath divers inconveniences, and therfore to be auoyded.



OF THE IVICE OF LEMONS.

Some vse the inice of Lemons about their face, not knowing the entitle qualities thereof. For it is so forcible, that it dissolutes the hardest from the into water: and there is nothing which sooner dissolutes then it. Now if it can dissolute stones in this maner, what thinke you will it doe upon mans sless? wherfore I exhort all women, to eschewe this and the like fretting and wearing medicines.



OF THE OYLE OF TARTARIE.

There is no stronger fretter and eater, then the Oyle of Tartarie; which in a very short time, mortisieth a wound as well as any other causticke or corrosiue: and being so strong a fretter, it will take any spotte or staine out of linnen, or wollen cloth: wherefore, we may easily thinke that is it be vsed about the face, it will worke the like effectes in the same, by scorching and hardning it so, that in many daies, it will not returne to the former state.



OF THE ROCKE ALVME.

Ocke alume doth likewise hurt the sace, in so much as it is a very pearcing and drying minerall, and is vsed in strong water for the dissoluting of mettals; which water is made onely of rocke alume and Salnitrum distilled, and is sound to be of that strength, that one droppe thereof being put vpon the skinne, burneth, shriueleth, and parcheth it, with divers other inconveniences, as loosing the teeth, &c.



OF SALNITRVM.

Alnitrum is so drie and colde, that being vsed about the face, it mortifieth and drieth the natural moysture, leaving the slesh insensible; and is a greater enemy to the slesh, then any of the other minerals, dimming the complexion, dulling the hearing, and offending the stomacke. For all which reasons it is to be abandoned.



OF CAMPHIRE.

If in common by saken for acoder: yes for diners reafons is it shought hose by Mathiolius, upo Diof: lib. 1.75.
and diners othere are wrisero.

Amphire is so *hott and drie, that comming any thing neere the fier, it suddenly taketh fier, and burneth most vehemently. This being applied to the face scaldeth it exceedingly, causing a great alteration by parching of the skinne, and procuring a sluthing in the face: And in this are women very much deceaued.



OF ALL SUCH THINGES AS ARE ENEMIES

to health, and hurtfull to the complexion.

A LI those paintings and embellishings which are made with minerals, and corrosiues, are very dangerous: for being laied vpon the slethe, especially

especially on the sace of a woman, which is very tender & delicate by nature (besides the harmethey doe to the natural beauty) doe much prejudice the health of the body. For it is certaine, that all Paintings and colourings made of minerals or halfe minerals, as iron, brasse, lead, tinne, sublimate, cerusse, camphire, iuyce of lymons, plume-alume, salt-peeter, vitrioll, and all manner of saltes, and sortes of alumes (as hath bin declared) are very offensiue to the complexion of the sace. Wherfore if there be no remedy, but women will be medling with this arte of pollishing, let them in steede of those minerall stuffes, vie the remedies following.



OF SVCH HELPES OF BEAVTY AS MAY fafely bee vsed without danger.

HERE is nothing in the world, which doth more beautifie & adorne a woman, then Cheerefulnes and Contentment; according to the proverbe: Contentment is the chiefest Beauty. For it is not the red and white which giveth the gratious perfection of Beauty, but certaine sparkling notes and touches of amiable cheerefulnesse, accompanying the same. The trueth whereof may appeare in a discontented woman, otherwise exceeding faire; who at that instant will seeme yl-favored and vnloouely: as contrariwise an hard-favored and browne woman being merry, pleadant & iocond, will seeme sufficient beautifull.

Secondly Health. For be a woman neuer so faire and merry and yet vn-

healthy, shee wil cuer appeare vnbeautifull.

Thirdly Honesty: Because though a woman be faire, merry, and healthy and yet be dishonest, shee must needes seeme most ougly to an ingenuous and honest minde.

Fourthly Wisedome: for a foolish vaine gigling dame, cannot be reputed

faire, infomuch, as shee hath an impure and polluted minde.

But hereof sufficient, till a farther opportunitie bee ministred:

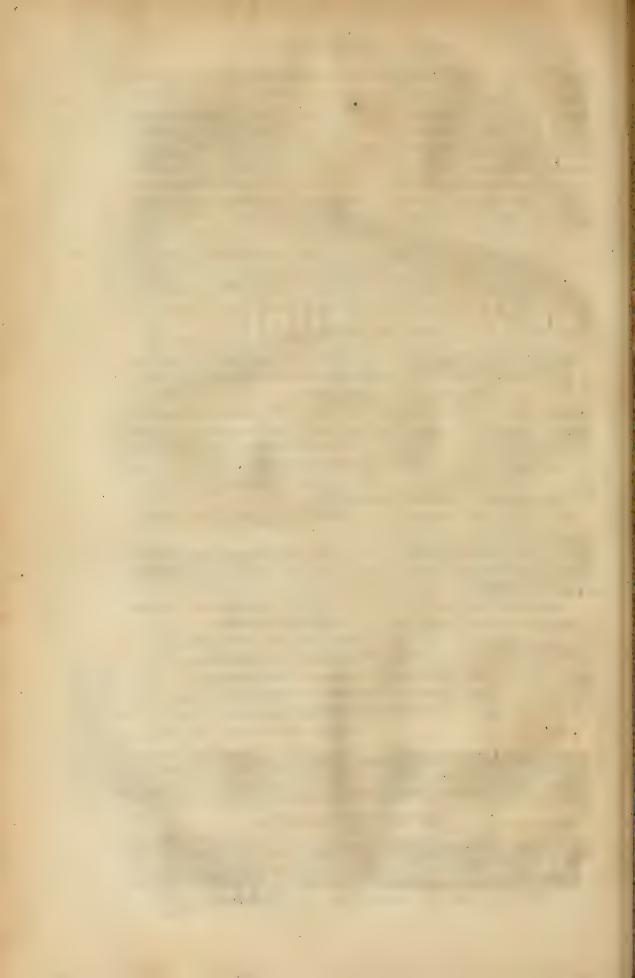
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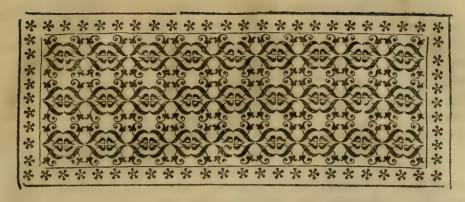
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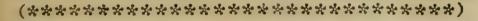
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Of the vertue of Light.

CHAP. I.





I GHT hath so great force in pictures, that (in my judgment) therein consistent the whole grace thereof, if it be welvenderstood; and contrariwise, the disgrace if it be not perceived. An evident exaple whereof we may see in a body proportionably drawne, which being yet without his Lights sheweth very beautiful, so far forth as it is wrought: but if afterwards it shall be shaddowed without sudgment and atte, so that the shaddowes be

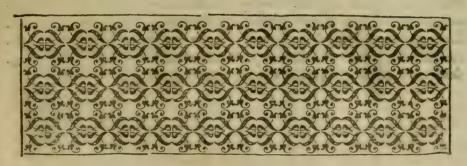
confusedly placed where the lights ought to be, and contrariwise the lights where the middle of the shaddowes should be, and the concavities and convexities disorderly suted, without any imitation of nature, it were better it had never bin either drawne or lightned. Whereas having lights well disposed, it doth not only adde perfection to the draught, but so sets it off from the slat, that it seemes to be imbossed.

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And in this vertue and powre confifteth the chiefest excellency of the painter: infomuch as this point most properly concerneth him, by making his counterfeits seeme to be asmuch raised, by reason of the striking of the light, as they are indeed in the Carvers worke, by reason of the matter, which (as all men know) hath higth and depth, the right fide and the left, the fore part and the hinder. Wherefore they fay, that the thing which the carver intendeth to make, is in the marble, which afterwards becometh good or bad by cutting and forming. But to returne to the light, I fay this moreouer; that although it be of such efficacie that it diminisheth the grace of the draught, where it wanteth (as is said) yet the inartificial nesse of the draught cannot disgrace it. Whence weesee, that if the Lights bee well and proportionably bestowed throughout a body, which is yll proportioned and without muscles, it contenteth the eie of the beholder somewhat the more, by mooning him to a defire of feeing the muscles and other necessary partes, in such a body: as in the pitures of Bernard Zenale Triviliano, viz. the glorious Resurrection of Christ painted by him, ouer the gate in the Covent of the Church of Grace in Milane; and many other historics of his doing aswell in colours, as in blacke and white, in the same place. Wherein may be seene pictures, made without muscles and other necessarie accompliments, for the more gratious representation of eie-pleasing perfection; but yet well placed, & with their lightes most artificiallie difposed in their places; insomuch that they seeme to be imbossed outwards; fuch is the force of these lights, in which you shall also finde admirable perspectiues and shortnings, whollie proceeding from the orderly disposing of the lights, without which these draughtes would have prooued vnperfect, loohing much of that grace, although they were well placed. So that wee finde many painters, who being ignorant of the arte of proportions, onely by a little practize, in disposing their lights in some tolerable sorte, have notwithstanding bin reputed good workemen; which commendation they deserue not indeed, because they neither haue the arte of perspectives, (wherby you shall see in their workes colouringes, or actions; but not colours and certaine principal lights) nor the true representing of any of the lights. Now for an example of the true arte of exquifite bestowing of these lights, that table of Le: Vincent, amongst many others, may serue vs in steed of all the rest of his well lightned pictures, which is now to be found in Saint Francis Church in Millan, where he hath painted the Conception of our Ladie; which, (to omit other excellencies therein) is most singular in this pointe. For the perfection of lights, those 2 tables donne by the hand of Antonio Correggio, are most admirable, which are yet to be seene in the same citie, with Canalier Leon: Aretino. In one whereof is Painted faire Io, with Iupiter vppon a cloude; and in the other Danae, and Iupiter descending into her lappe, in the forme of a golden shower, with Cupid and other loues, having their lights so well disposed, that I dare boldlie say, no other painter is able to match him in colouring and lightning; which tables, were fent him out of Spaine from his sonne Pompey, a Caruer. Moreouer Mi: Angelo, and Raphael Vrbine the fathers and masters of painting, are reputed most rare & divine in lights, out of whose schooles I may truely say, almost al the samous painters of Italy have attained to the worth of their same.

Now then insomuch as these lights are of so great vertue, wee ought to vse al diligence, for the perfect attaining to the knowledge therof, by appliing them to our draughts, as is shewed, insomuch as the arte of *Proportion*, *Motion*, and *Shortning*, hath but smale vse and comendation in a Painter, without the knowledge of these lights, found out by reason and arte; & not taken by bare imitation from the embossed models, under a false apprehension of the sight, without order of distance, as also in the lines and superficies of bodies: wherfore they prooue salse, and altogether contrary to the rules of arte. And thus much I thought good to note concerning this point: purposing now to begin the treatise of Light it selse, by the assistance of him who inlightness the vnderstandings of such as submit themselves unto him with a pure mind, wholly prepared for the receaving of so divine beames.



OF THE NECESSITY OF LIGHT.

CHAP II.

Tappeareth by that which hath bin hitherto spoken, that a peece of worke drawne in proportion, having his true motion, and put in colours without the lights, is like a body in the darke, of whose quantity a man cannot judge, whether it be round or square, saue only by the helpe of his vnderstanding, that is, by that inward conceipt hee hath of the thing, and not by any outward; insomuch as it is hidden from the external

Light, which concurring with the internall, by meanes of the beames proceeding from the eye, makes the diuersitie of bodies knowen to the Vnderstanding, after the same maner, as they receue their Light naturally.

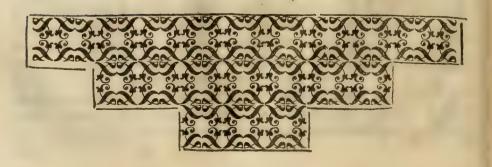
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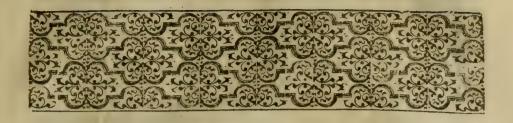
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Wherfore I will handle the Lightes, saying nothing of the Shaddowes, although they be handled together with them: for the shaddowes doe necessarily follow the lights, being caused by the decay of the light, taking so much the more force, by how much the more forcibly the light striketh upon the body. Whence ariseth that exceeding great rayzing and heightning of a naturall plaine, in a body receaving the light according to his pro-

per nature. And by this we shall know: how the Lights, Reflexions, and naturall rebating of the lights doe vary, according to the diversity of the bodies; by altering them, as shalbe saide. Wherein also we shall see the very perfection of the arte: for without this, neither order, forme, proportion, motion, composition, or figure can attaine to their perfection; like vnto a body without situation or spirite; or to counterseit starres, without the light of the funne, giving them their brightnesse answerable to their qualities, whereby they may bee seene. But now as touching my proposed matter, I will first handle the nature of Light, and afterwardes (by the helpe of naturall Philosophie, and the Optickes, being the first part of the Perspectives,) I will speake in generall of the Primary and Secondary lightes; then of direct and reflected light; afterwards how by Mathematicall reasons divers distinct lights may be feene, by reason of the variety of the bodies, and sinally of the qualities of things appertayning therevnto, how it may be vnderstood in all thinges, and in the Elements themselves.







OF THE NATURE OF LIGHT.

CHAP. III.



His word Light is diverfly taken: first and principally it signifieth, the image of that divine nature which is the sonne of God, and the brightnes theros; which the *Platonickes* called the image of the divine minde. Secodly the costortable operation of the holy ghost. Third ly that divine vertue, which being diffused through all the creatures, is in men their divine grace; and in all other living creatures, that powre wherby they are pre-

ferved & defended; as that of the Seraphins according to Diony sus. Fourthly that intelligence in the Angels, which breedeth that ioy in them, which passeth our vnderstanding, yet diversly receaved, according to the diversity of the intelligence apprehending it, as Marsilius Ficinus vpon Plato noteth. Fifthly in the heavenly bodies it causeth abundance of Life, signifying an effectual propagation, and visible brightnesse in the fire, with a certaine accidental powre proceeding from the same. Sixtly it is taken in men, for the light of their agent vinderstanding, which illuminateth their patient or passible vnderstanding; & (in a word) for the discourse of reason, and the knowledge of divine things. Last of all it signifieth a quality proceeding from the Sunneor the fire, which so discovereth colours, that they may be seene And this (as the Peripateticks fay) is the cause or formal reason, wherby coloured things are seene: whose shapes & images passe to the phantasse & especially inlighten the eies, in which the image is formed, which first passeth to the common lense, afterwards to the phantasie, and last of all to the understanding. This light is dispersed and extended vnto all bodies that are openlie proposed vnto it; in which colour and a beawtifull resplendencie of thicke and darke bodies is discovered, (as the Platonickes speake) caused by this light, together with a certaine beneficent and generative vertue.

But where the Sunne-beames fall not, and are not at all dispersed, Mm iiii. there there (the beames of the eie being restrained) remaineth a darke colour, which displeaseth and evill affecteth the minde. So that all thinges according to their capacitie, seele the powre of the Light, which ioyning all creatures to it selfe by this lively heate, and pearcing through them

all, giveth to each of them his proper qualitie and vertue.

Whence those who are judicious in this arte, vse to give lightes to all things after one and the selfesame manner; insomuch as weesee, that the Sunnerising above our horizon, lightneth all thinges in an instant. The reason whereof is, because the light hath no contrary which might hinder it with his action. Wherefore it performeth his operations in the aire, in an instant.

And heereunto appertayneth that, which the Philosophers say concerning the darkenesse of the night, that it is not caused of any darke or blacke colour which coloureth the aire, but onely by the ab sence of the Sunne, whose presence and brightnesse equallie lightnesh our whole hemisphere, and woulde in like forte lighten the whole earth, together with all compound bodies, if they were transparent as the aire is. But being opake, thicke and corpulent, they receive not the light in his perfecte brightnesse; saue onely in that parte which is directlie opposite to the Sunne. And therefore in this our Hemisphere (because the Sunne never passeth perpendicularlie over our zenith) the earth can never bee so lightned, but that one fide or other of it will bee shaddowed: which hapneth unto those partes, which lie directly under the Æquinocticall line, where the Sunne at noone doth solighten the earth and the inhabitants, that it giveth light to the whole circumference of round bodies, and there is no shaddow seene vnto the verie seete. Whence the judicious in this arte. forbid vs to give lights in a picture vnto all bodies, after one and the selfefame manner.

But besides this consideration of the light illuminating, and the earth with all earthly bodies lightned, there is another more forcible reason drawne from the grounds of the Mathematiques, viz. from the visual lines of Perspective, together with the Eie. For the better vnder-standing wherof, we must note, that 3 things concurre to our sight; The Visual lines; The Coloured body; and the Facultie of seeing, which is in our eie. The visual lines lightned (which are the proper matter and subject of the perspectives) come to our eie in a Pyramidal forme, the base of which Pyramis resteth in the Obiect, and the conus or angle thereof, commeth to our eie more blunt and obtuse: And hereby we see the obiect more plainly and distinctly; but if the obiect be a far of, the conus or angle of the Pyramis comes to the eie sharper and lesser, and then our eie cannot discerne it so clearely as otherwise it would.

Secondly it is to be noted, that the object commeth not to our eie: but the visible species or shapes are diffused through the clerenesse of the ayre vnto the eie; which species are nothing else, but certaine images, like vnto those which we see in a glasse, when a man or any thing else standing against

it, is represented therein.

And if the coloured bodie or object stand necre to this image, it comes to our cie in the same quantitie and bignesse of the angle of the Pyramis. Now because this angle comes to our eie in an obtuse and blunt forme, the image also seemes great, and so is discerned more distinctly. But when the coloured object standes a farre of, the image comes to the eie in a very small and slender angle. And therefore filleth not the cie, but wavereth in such forte, that it cannot be clearelie and distinctly discerned. As touching the third I have no more to say, but that the facultie of seeing is reduced into acte, being formed by the concurring of the other 2 thinges required before, viz. the visual lines, (without which the eie cannot see) and the image of the coloured bodie, which informeth the eie by reducing it from meere ability, into act, and informing it more perfectlie with a great image, by performing his operations better, and causing the thing to bee seene more apparantly and distinctly: whereas with the small image of a thing too farre distant, the eie cannot be so wel informed, and therefore it cannot see the thing perfectly.

From which grounds, I draw these 2 reasons, why the selfesame body can

not be lightned equally in all places.

The first is, because the light doth not with all his brightnesse illuminate any more then that part, which is directly opposite to it; being not able to illustrate the other partes so perfectly, by reason of the nature of the darke, terrene, and grosse body, which so hindereth the beames, that they cannot

pearce inwards, and performe their effects perfectly.

The second reason is taken from the nature of our eie. For as the first part of the body seene and placed neerest the eye, comes vnto it with a bigger angle; so is it also seene more distinctly, because it is more lightned; but the second part thereof, being farther of, comes to the eie in a lesser angle, and being lesse lightned, is not so plainly seene as the first: And by this rule the third part wilbee obscurer, and so the fourth proportionably, vntill the eye can see no farther.

Now if you aske me, what the Painter ought to do, when he would paint, two, three, or foure men standing one behind another, all of them equally receaving the light, I answere alwaies according to the former doctrine: that although they be equally lightned, yet we must paint the second which is farther of from the eie darker, and the third more then him, & the fourth

most of al &c. vntil our eje can see no more.

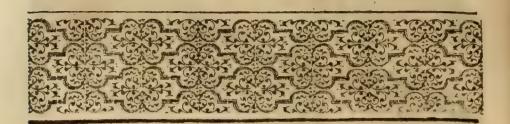
The reason is, because the second standing farther of, commeth to the eie with a lesser angle, wherefore hee cannot bee seene so evidently as the

first: the same reason there is of the third &c.

The same is also meant sidelong; Wherefore whatsoever Painters have observed this doctrine, have become excellent, and nothing inferior to the chiefe Maisters of this arte; as Leonard Vincent, with divers others named before, together with Iac. Tintoretto, Marco da Siena. Fridericke Barozzi of Vrbine, Paulas Caliarius of Verona, Lucas Cangiasus, the Bassani, and Ambrosse Figinus.

Now the whole doctrine delivered in this present chapt: is (for the most

part taken out of Aristotle, Alhazen, Vitello, Thomas Aquinas, and (to conclude) out of al the best Philosophers and divines, whose opinions also I like wel of, although I haue saied otherwise in an other place. And thus much be spoken for the opinions of other men.



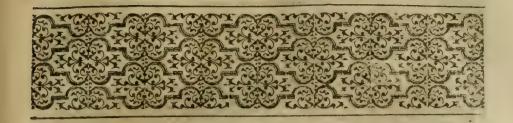
OF THE DIVISION OF LIGHT.

CHAP IIII.

I GHT then is a qualitie without bodie: for according to Mar: Ficinus, it filleth the one halfe of the worlde from the east to the west in a moment, pearcing through all partes of the body of the aire, without any hinderance, as also through the water with very small resistance. Besides being dispersed

yppon putrified things, it is not corrupted. All which conditions doe in no fort agree with the nature of a body. For a body is not mooned in an instant, but in time; againe one body cannot peirce through an other, without each others destruction; besides, two bodies mixed together destroy each other with their mutual contagion. This light then is two-fould, Primary and Secondary. The Frimary light is that which falleth uppon that part of a coloured body which is opposite to the body giving light, touching it with direct beames. A light body is that which hath light and brightnesse in it selfe: as the Sun, the fier, &c. Now that light which arifeth from this Primary light, is called Secondary light. Farthermore, light is divided into divers other important branches, drawne from the Physiologicall part of the Perspectives whose chiefe end is to seeke out the principles, causes and elements of all visible things, together with their species, and essentiall differences, but euer in generall. Wherefore it is divided into 3 partes, according to the divers considerations of seeing. Now the Secondary light is of 3 forts; Direct, Refletted, and Refratted:whereof because I meane to speake particularly in their proper places, this which is already spoken of the first and second division, may suffice.

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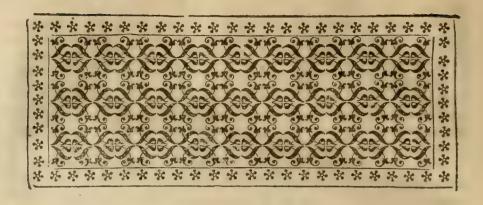
OF THE PRIMA-RY LIGHT.

CHAP. V.



HE Primarye light, is that which falleth vppon and is receaved in that part of a coloured body, which is opposite vnto the body giving light; which running vppon the bodies, toucheth them sweetely with a certaine natural order; that is, not possessing them in any of the extreames, as other lightes doe: which must be observed in histories which are supposed to be in the open aire, vppon which the light may fall without

any hindrance, as vppon a wall opposite to the East. This light moreover comming into a chamber or such like place, toucheth all such bodies as are within the space where it shineth, in the vppermost partes; where the light hath also his limitation: wherefore it sometimes falleth out that a bodye shall receave this light from the middle vpwards, or a little more or lesse; and sometimes from aboue, accordingly as the light entreth diversly in respect of the forme or situation of the loope-hole, eie, or windowe. Whence we must observe, whe we make windowes, or open gates, to counterfeit the so in the picture, that the light may runne inwards, as Franciscus Mat so line did in a smale table of our Lady, in which he made 2 lightes, one which lightned our Lady, and her sonne directly; and the other a Fryer which he had painted over the gate, shining inwards through the gate; so that the 2 lights crossed each other. And this example may serue for all that can be sayed concerning this light.



OF THE SECOND PRI-

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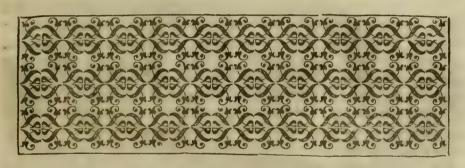


Y the Secod primary light is not meant the light of the Sunne in faire wether, but that which is caused by the divers apparitions of Angels &c. whether it be by day or night, as in the Divinity which Titiano painted for the Emperour Charles the fifth, with the quiers of Angels, Patriarches, Prophets, & all other blessed soules fit for the perfect representation of such a mystery, & in the nativity of Christ, which falling out in the night

we must imagine there shone a divine light, as Antonio da Coreggio represented it in a table he painted in that city; which is one of the best peeces for painting that I know. And this light ought to be shewed in such fort, that it shine uppon the bodies so much the more, by how much the neerer they are. Such should the light of the Angel bee, which appeared vnto Christ in the garden; which Divine light ought to drowne and obscure all the rest although it had not bin night: as the same Antonio very well expressed it in an other table. The same divine light must bee imagined to have shined vppon the Apostles, when the holy Ghost came downe vpon them in the forme of fiery tongues, as Gaudentius expressed it singularly well in a table at Vigevano; and likewise vpon Christ when being baptized by Iohn Baptist in Iordane, there was heard a voice from heaven. This Primary light may also be taken for that marvilous brightnesse which invironed Christ, at his glorious Resurrection; and when he was transfigured vpon Mount Tabor, which was vnto the 3 Disciples Peter, James, and John, a token or tast of the heavenly bleffednes: which mystery Raphael Vrbine, drewe most admirably, in the table he made in S. Pet: Montor: in Rome. When

When God appeared to Moses in the bramble bush in Mounte Horeb, and vpon Mount Sinai, where the people ran away from Moses, being not able to indure the exceeding great brightnesse of his face: as likewise when he spake with Maron, which was afterwardes priest &c. As also when the Angel slew the first borne of the Agyptians at midnight, and when the sie-rie pillar appeared, which guided the children of Israell by night; and the glory of God which was seene in the night, in the middle of the Israelits vpon the Tabernacle, which light no man was able to beholde, excepte Moses and his brother; And the light which was seene with that Angell, which smote the campe of the Assignment.

But because I should grow infinite, in reciting all the Divine lights which are mentioned in the new and olde Testament, (but especially in the Apocalips, which is full of them, as also diverse other histories, and fables) I will heere conclude this second primary light; and proceede to the next.



OF THE THIRD PRI-

CHAP. VII.



His thirde Lighte is that which proceedeth from the fire, a candle, torch, fornace &c: casting about a certaine quantitie of Light vpon men according to the force of the fire; as Titianus expressed about the gridiron whereupon S. Laurence was broyled. But this cannot be so great as that second Divine Light. This Light then distributeth his beames, according to his strength more or lesse, sometimes on this side, some-

times on that, according as the flame burneth and sendeth out his beames; as weemay see in chimnies; as also according to the matter burninge; Nn i, which

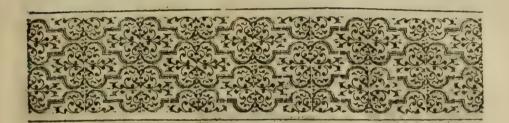
which being diverse, maketha diverse flame, and consequently giveth a more or lesse quicke light to the eie. For it is evident, that there proceederh not so much light from a small burning sticke, as from a great brand. And albeit these lightes in the day time cause a certaine colour answerable to themselues vpon the bodies; yet they doe not take away the Primarie light: whence it commeth to passe sometimes, that two lightes must bee represented in one picture; the one turning towardes the Celestiall, and the other towardes the fire. All these lightes strike the bodies so stronglie, that they scarily shew any other parte of them, then that which is directlie lightned, except it be by the strength of the light resecting backe againe. Which falleth out in mettals, and other smooth shining bodies. Whereforewe must bee carefull in shewing these lightes aswell by day as nighte, because of the aboue named effectes: and by nighte to represente in all the colours, as it were a certaine shaddowe, and where it toucheth, fuch an increasing of the colours, as the sunne by day maketh, where his beames fall mainely, although aboute sunne-setting it shine somewhat reddish; which also falleth out in these lightes where they appeare more thicke.

Wherefore, that wee may the better understande howe to dispose this light, it shall be needefull to reade histories; whereby wee may learne whether the siers bee by day or by night; as also their quantitie, and whether they bee in the open aire, within doores, or esse where. For wee finde that siers were diversiye used of Abell in the first Sacrifices; and afterwardes of Noah vuhen he came out of the Arke in sacrificing Lambes; as also by Iacob in his peregrination with his people; after an other sorte by Aaron, on the altar before the golden Calie; and after an other forte by the same Aaron vuhen hee sacrificed to God uppon the altar, which was so artificially unought; uppon which Nadab and

Abin offering vppe straunge fire, were consumed therewith.

Moreouer, vyec finde other fortes of fire amongst the Poets, as that vyhich the Cerastes made vyhen they sacrificed straungers vnto Iupiter, vvith diverse others vyhich shall bee mentioned in the sixte booke: by vyhich vyee may conceiue, howe carefull wee oughte to bee in counterfetting fiers, and lightes in regarde of their quantity, placing, manner of burning, and time: as vyhether they burne by daie, as the fire of Sodome; that vyhich Iuda provided to burne Thamar in the Vally where the people were assembled; and that of the Pallace, where Zambri was burnts or by night, as the lightes which we see put out lying in our beds; as that sire by which young Toby and his wife kneeling, laide the liner of a fish young the coales: (which history all the painters vse to resemble, as if it had beene by day.) And that of the fornace into which the three children were cast, the slame whereof invironed the executioners. With the like discretion shall we vary the light vpon the people which stoode by, while the mother and the seuen some swere tormented by sire.

Moreouer in diuerse mysteries of Christ, this kinde of primary light must bee represented by nighte; as when hee was taken, and carryed before Herode, Annas, and Pilate. When he was whipped, crowned with thornes, and mocked in which action they commonly place the lightes, as if it were by day. And amongst the Gentiles, as in that fire where Hercules died; in Lycaons house on fire; in the fire of the daughters of Hyminaus; in Meleagers firebrand, and in the funerall fire of Memnon, that of Prometheus, and that of Troy. Which examples (I thinke) may suffice to instruct vs, how these fiers by night and by day ought to be resembled, according to their effectes in all things: alwaies having regard to histories, which do plainely instruct vs in the true vse of all pictures, laying them before our eies as they were. Wherefore, we must not represent Scip. Affricanus, as if he discomsted the Carthaginian host with fire, cast abroad in the fielde by day; nor yet the overthrow which Abraham gave those kings which tooke Loth prisoner; because all these things were persourmed in the night.



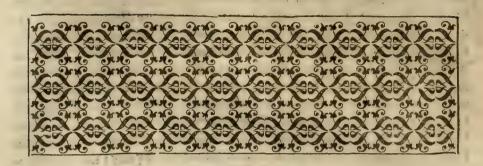
OF THE SECONDARY LIGHT.

CHAP VIII.



Rom the first, second, and thirde lights of all sorts, the Secondary light ariseth, which to begin with all for our better understading, is that light which is caused, not by the direct beames, but by the beames reflected. And proceedeth wholly from the primary light, which entereth into some roome, suppose a chamber, gallery &c. For we see that when the primary light entring in, falleth upon some one part, there is forth with an other

light cast round about, which is properly called the Secondary light, because it alwaies solloweth the first. Now this cannot be so bright as the first, from whence it springeth; wherefore it euer lightnesh the extremities of the partes a farre of, something obscurely, but especially by night.



OF THE DIRECT

CHAP. IX.



T is concluded by Philosophicall reasons, applied to the natural things, that the direct light (which is the first species of the seconde division of light) is onlie that which is extended and distributed directly uppon any body by his primary vertue, in such fort, that beeing there limited, it taketh an ende. And this light is neuer extended athwarte and crosse wise, but ever goeth directly; appearing so much the brighter, by

how much the body it meeteth with all is the thicker; as shall be shewed elsewhere. It striketh only vpon those superficies directly opposite vnto it, lightning the highest places most eminently, as being neerest vnto them. But as for the force of this light, it shall be shewed elsewhere.

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OF REFLECTED LIGHT.

CHAP. X.



EFIECTED light is that which ariseth from the ending of the direct; and is made so much the brighter, by how much the body whereupon the direct lighte falleth is the thicker; and it passeth no farther, nor returneth backe againe towardes the direct light. It lightnesh all the bodies whereon it falleth, and chiefly the hinder partes of such bodies, as are lightned before, by the direct beames. And this is the limitation

on of the reflected light.



OF REFRACTED OR BROKEN LIGHT.

CHAP. XI.



Hr last light of the second division is (as the Philosophers say) that which is ingendred by the direct light, as it falleth vpon glasses, Christals, water, armour, and such like thining thinges, as are apt to ingender the same. And it is that multitude of beames, which are reslected round about, at the touching of the direct light, in each of the saide thinges; especially if it be the light of the sunne, and by day; Howbeit, the selfe

same commeth to passe, from the beames of the moone in the night, or from some small candle, or burning sire. Neither doc I heere holde it necessarily.

necessary, to discourse of this at large; insomuch as refraction, is nothing elabut the breaking of the direct light vppon these bodies: which it casteth rounde about in enery place, as may be seene in cleare water, towardes the bottome; as also vpon the vpper superscies next to our eie.



AFTER VVHAT SORT ALL BODIES RECEIVE LIGHT MORE OR LESSE.

CHAP. XII.



A vin o hitherto discoursed of the nature of lighte, and into how many kindes it is devided, handling by the way, both the first and second devision; it consequently followeth, that I should fearth out the effectes thereof in bodies, according to their compositions and dispositions: and first I will consider, how all bodies receive more or lesse of this light. For from hence arise the differences which we finde, contrary

to the rules of arte, in the superficies of bodies; insomuch as the Elements are the principal foundations of all bodily, mixt, and compounde thinges, which are composed not by way of congregation or coagmentation, but by transmutation, and vnion; because the elementes are naturally apt to bee changed and mixed with each other. Wherefore (that I may at the length begin with them) it is most evident, that wheresoeuer they are founde most pute, there the light which falleth vpon them, is lesse apparent & more purished; and contrariwise brighter and of greater force, where they are thicker and grosser.

Being therefore found in each of the three orders of things, it is evident that in these inferior things, they are more grosse and drosse: in the celestiall bodies more pure and cleane: but in the super-celestiall they are full of

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life and all blessed perfection: whereas in this lower world they are grosse formes, and very much depressed with a materiall dulnesse; and in the heauens they are after their owne proper qualities, after a celestial maner, far more excellent then in things of the third order vnder the Moone: For ther is that celestiall sirmenesse of the earth, without the fatnesse of the water: the agility of the aire without motion; there is the heat of the sier which burneth not, but quickneth all things with his heate.

Wherfore amongst the stars Mars and Sol-carry a proportion and re-Sol, Mars. semblance vnto the element of sier, because their light is more strong and resplendent: Iupiter and Venus answere to the aire, because their light is Iupiter. somewhat lesse, as it were tending to yeallowe. Saturne (which of many is Venus. said to have a resemblance to the water) is by those which dwell vnder his Saturne. circle, compared to the earth, as having his light deprived of that resplendencie of the Sunne, and tending to a pale and obscure yeallow. Mercury Mercury. and the Moone, which are helde by some to have some agreement with the Luna. earth, are indeede of the nature of the Water, because in them the light is bright, but wanne and inclining to white.

Againe, the selfe same consideration and theory which is made of the light and the celestiall bodies, is also held in respect of the triplicitie of the celestial signes. And so the beginning of the Fier is attributed to Aries, the middle to Leo; the end to Sagittarius: The beginning of the Earth to Taurus, the middle to Virgo; the ende to Capricorne: The beginning of the Aire is governed by Gemini; the middle by Libra, and the ende by Aquarius: The beginning of the VVater by Cancer, the middle by Scorpius, and the ende by Piscie.

bodies are composed. In heaven the light of the Sun is subtile and resplendent; wherefore we see that the stars receive the light of the sunne like a glasse: which is therefore placed in the middest of them, as it were the spirit and life of all the planets: But heere with vs below it is neither so cleere and bright as in heaven; nor so grossely burning as in hell

Againe, in the Intelligible world, the elements of the first order in the Angels and blessed substances, are considered in this sort, viz. that their essential stabilitie and power answereth to the earth, insomuch as they are the firme seate and impeachlesseliberty of God. Clemency and pitty by reason of their purifying and clensing nature, are compared to the water. And so the Psalmist speaking of them, calleth them; where talking of heaven he saith: Thou which rulest the waters & the things about them: By the Aire is meant a most subtile spirit: and by the Fier, Loue. And they are called in the Scrip: the winges of the winde: and in an other place the Psalmist saieth, Thou which makest thine Angels spirits, and thy ministers a staming sier.

Hence the divines having a regard to the natures and offices of the Angels, would have the Seraphines, Vertues, and Powers as it were inflamed with a supernatural heate, answerable to the element of fier: the Cherubins and Angels to the Earth: the Thrones and Archeangels to the water: the Dominions and Principalities to the Aire. Wherefore in giving light to these

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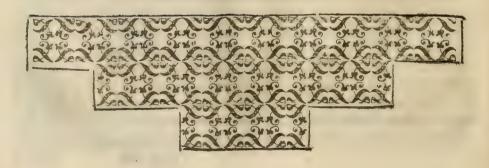
glories (which painters must often times doe) we must show the light as it were shining through and pearcing their formes: for they are reflected in

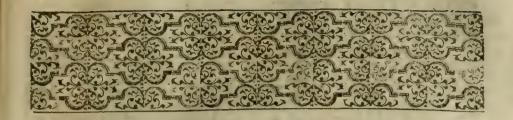
the light, by which they are made cleere in that divine glory.

And Ithat he should not

But although many painters vie neuer to paint God the father, but all shaddowed with certaine transparant lightes, so that his forme is thereby obscured and blemished: yet I should rather thinke that for our patterne & be Painted at mirror, he ought to be rep. elented with perfect cleere colours; declaring therby that the perfection of all things, is in h mas in their first cause. And so it seemes to be required, that we make that light exceeding bright; but so, that it may not seeme to be ereceased from some other place: but to be originally in himselse; who from his glittering beauty, doeth primarily lighten himselfe, and afterwards imparteth it to the heavens, and last of all to these inferiour thinges; shining, as it were, in three glasses, according to the Platonikes opinion. Which is also agreeable to the Scriptmes: whereunto we ought to have regard in the making of fuch pictures: for the pi-Etures are, in a maner, as well to be read with the eie, as the scriptures being read, are to bee heard by the eare: whence we read of God, in the Script: He will open the earth, and the Saviour shall spring foorth. And againe of God, The fountaine of living water, which purifieth all things: and in an other place, The (pirit which in (pireth the breath of life: and Moses and S. Paule tellifie, that he is a confuming fier: So that in luch workes wee must observe these degrees, viz to give the principall light to God; the second to the Angels; the third to the heavens; the fourth to vs men, and the fifth to hell. Alwaies confidering the bodies which are apte to recease light more o: lesse, which in this fort we shall finde to be in God the fountaine of light; in the Angels reflexions; in Heauen brightnesse: amongst vs shining: and in Hell, as it were, the matter and dregges of light, whereunto all the groffe and groffenesse of things are referred. And this is the whole foundation of the arte, concerning the faculty of Lightes, by reason of the matters of bodies, both imaginative and visible.

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OF THE EFFECTES WHICH

DIES IN GENERALL.

CHAP. XIII.

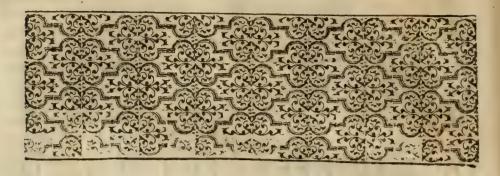


Aving in the former discourse made it manisest, that all bodies have their light according to their qualities in each place (aswell the Angels in the Empyreall heaven, from God, as the stars in the eighth sphere from the sunne, and men from the sunne beames, and light of the sire, and finally hel from the true and proper fire thereof, which is a grosse matter of the light, deprived of all raritie) the order of the place doth

now require, that I should intreate of such effectes, as are produced by the light, falling in his owne nature vpon all kindes of bodies: for we doe sensibly perceiue, that the light appeareth so much the more cleere and brighte with vs (speaking alwaies by way of example) by howe much the more thicke and hard bodies it findeth to be received vpon. Wherefore I meane particularly to intreate of all sortes of bodies, shewing what effectes the light produceth in each of them; and first of such as tende towardes the nature of the Earth, the heaviest and grossest of all the Elements.

OF





OF THE EFFECTS WHICH LIGHT PRODUCETH IN EARTHY BODIES.

(HAP. XIIII.



O beginne then, the earth (not bringing forth stones of it selfe, as *Juicenna* writeth, by reason of his drinesse, for want of the moisture of water, which thickeneth and hardneth it, for which cause it remaineth pure and simple, as wee may see in the dust, sande, and terra mortua) receiveth the light very dimly & faintly in comparison of that which falleth vppon stones; wherefore we see, that the light falling on the ground,

ingendreth reflexions, which lighting vppon stones is so much the more increased, by how much the harder and thicker they are which it meeteth with; being euer accompanied with reflexions in the extremities, by reason of the reflexion of the parte strooken with the light; Which doth so much the more reverberate the same vppon all other things neere about it, by how much the lesse it selfe participateth of the earth.

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And therefore that part of the earth which maketh lesse reserving, if it bee placed against marble or some other cleeres thing, vppon which the light falleth, is in some fort lightned, receaving (in a manner) as much brightnesse from behinde, by reason of the reserving, as from the light before, which may also bee seene in all things else, being holpen by some body more prompt to receaute the bright and cleare light; as being neere lead, silver, brasse &c.

This is an infallible rule, concerning the effects of light, by reason of the nature and composition of the bodies receiving it: for the farther manife-station whereof I will set downe the most sit and proper example that can

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be devised in the whole arte of Painting; by the helpe whereof, we shal the better attaine to the knowledge of a certaine defect in painting, which in truth ought to be avoided, as an enemy to the truth: which also, Le: Vincent, Raphael Vrbine, and other good painters ever eschewed; howbeit Vincetius Foppa, Bramante &c. (whose workes witnesse the same) were not much behind them.

Now concerning the difference betweene flesh and * gypsum, it is evi- *Images of dent, that the lights and reflexions are diverfely receased on them; Infomuch as the flesh being tender, the light falling vppon it, causeth a sweet and pleasant shaddowe without much reflexion, without any indecorum: in such fort that being beheld in a pretty distance off, the slesh will seeme round & tender without shaddow, especially the tenderer it is, as in young men and children: contrarywise, it remayneth more harshe by meanes of the light and shaddow, when it is lesse tender; as in old, hard, and stiffe flesh. Notwithstanding, it will not bee so much as in Gypsum or Marble, although it bee formed like flesh: which being contraryunto flesh, and carrying a luster and whitenesse by receauing the light uppon it, becommeth more sharpe, by reason of certaine vnplesant and too apparant reflexions, which will not suffer the thing to appeare round like flesh: but confounding one member with an other, by reason of the lights, doe breed a confusion, and so much the more, by how much the body is whiter.

Which difference many painters not observing, whilst they drew young bodies from the imitation of fuch pictures, made in gyplum and marble, with fuch hard, bold, and sharpelightes, have ever kept that manner of lightning, which as it proceedeth from fuch bodies, so indeed it is onelie required in the refembling of the same: but these men proceeding farther yet, do vse the selfesame kind of lights, when so ever they draw true pictures from the life it selfe: so that they can never make them resemble the life, although they be skilfullie delineated: as may be seene in a picture of the Poet Au sonius, painted by Bramante vpon a wal here in Milane, in the Marchanes streete, besides other coloured pictures: the like whereof Franciseus Vincentius made in S. Maria de Gratia, where he Painted a chappel with the Evangelists, Prophets, and Sybilla after the same manner; which appere nothing beawtiful to the eie of the beholder, notwithstanding they be wel proportioned: The which custome is also practized of many Painters nowadaies, who are so welknowne, that I neede not name them, wherof some, (as Lucas Cangia fo) do most earnestly endevor to avoid it, being very good in proportion, and of good knowledge in this arte; as also Aurelius Lovinus, who sheweth that hee was no bastarde sonne of Bernard Lovinus the excellent Painter; as may bee gathered by divers Chappelles and other workes of his doeing aswel without Milane, as within, but especially at Lugano in a Centurion, and a Crucifix.

Thus have I sufficiently discoursed of this point, especially considering we may fee the examples of M. Angelos coloured workes, as also of those others which I mentioned in the 31 chap: of my first booke, and besides, those of Antonius da Correggio, well worthy to bee numbred amongst the rarest

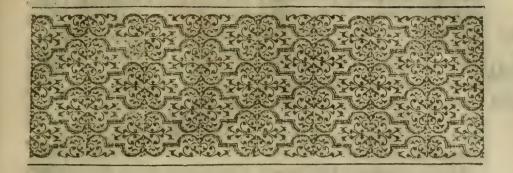
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painters; of Sebastian, Piombo, Giorgione da Castel Franco, Palma, Alexander Moreto, Girolamo Bressano, Pordonone, Sarto, Daniel de Volterra, Rosso, Bologna, Mazolino, Timotheo Vita, Giulio Romano, Fattore, Sesto, Boccaccino, Lovino, Andrea Solari brother to Christopher Gobbo, Toccagno: and of low Germanes, of N ubertus Leidanus, Scorellus, Burgeli, Pancelli, Florus, Theodorus, Mabutius, Dionatense, Lusto, Maio, Alosto, Gasello, and diverse others, not only of these times, but also of the second and third company, as the Italians themselues: all which are worthy to be registred for al succeeding ages: who following enery man his proper Genius, what so ener it were, have ener avoided this boldnesse of reflexions, saue when they have imitated marble; still drawing as neere the nature of the things as was possible, which doe alfo cause reflexions betweene themselves, answerable to the nature of the matter, and colour more or leffe, which by reason of the lighte ingendreth a reflexion received in his shaddow. Wherfore we see the white colour about the throat, to reflect much more vpon the edge of the iaw, by reason of his brightnesse, and so all other thinges are restected betweene themselves, as they are more or lesse apt to receive bright and quicke lightes. For the light neuer toucheth an earthy body to tharpely in any parte, but that prefently there is also caused a strong shaddow on the contrary side: so that one shaddow produes more light then an other, as one light is more quicke then an other: Whence it commeth to passe, that a body is heighthned & lightned, and there withall shaddoweth this diversity of lightes, and lesse lights, shaddowes, and leffe thaddowes, which we call mixtures.

Farthermore in drapery, fouldes, and curlings, we must be very heedefull in this point, for it is worthy no small consideration, being indeed of so great difficulty, that it is well understood but of very sew: So that wee shall finde but sew painters, who have handled their drapery (like unto Raph: Vrbine, Leonard Vincent, and Gaudentius) according to the colours, the quality of the stuffe, and apt agreement with the carnation; by giving more luster to those partes which are nearest the bones, as the iointes of the singers, the shoulders, the knees, and such like eminencies; that so the more sless hie partes may become more sweete; And this I take to bee the truest way for

the imitation of them.





OF THE EFFECTES VVHICH LIGHT CAVSETH IN WATERIE BODIES.

CHAP. XV.



HEREAS the matters of precious stones are transparent more or lesse, (as those which are commonly called gemmes) they must needes receive the light more sharpely; which easilie passet through them, carrying their vertue along with it: as may bee seene in the Sunne, which casting his beames upon the stone Irus, causeth the raine-bowe to appeare therein: so that the lighte passing through these stones carrieth

with it their true and perfect colour; like as the colour of the wine or water in a vessell of glasse, is cast uppon the table whereon it standeth. The reason wherof is, because the light hath no colour in it selfe at al, in so much as it proceedeth from the Sunne, which must needes be corruptible, if it had colour.

Now though the light have no colour, yet it hath this property and vertue, that it discovereth and maketh the colours appeare, where it findeths them. And so the light passing through a greene glasse, casteth a greene colour, to our sighte, as if the light and sunne-beames were greene. And thus if I would einlarge my discourse, I might exemplishe in the light passing through a glasse ful of red wine. But to returne to that I lest, the light in such transparant and perspicuous bodies, doth so much the more shine forth & appeare, by how much the more condensated and compacted a body it sindeth. Wherefore we see it more acute and cleare in the Diamonde, then in Christal, in Christal more their classe, win classe more their Ice. Now that which is said of the diamond is generally meant of all other precious stones.

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cording to their feueral perfections; infomuch as they also confift of a follid and hard matter. Where wee must note, that they have three distinct colours; which are more or lesse intended according to their perfection; the first is common and bright, by glittering as if a light were incorporated in a coloured body. The seconde is white, which is seene more or lesse in many kindes of mettals: as in Siluer it is most white, in Tinne dimmer, in The third. Lead very little, and almost none in Iron. The thirde colour is yeallow, and is specially seene in Golde, and something lesse in Brasse. And these colours are in mettals, as almost in althings else, the extremity of a light body serminated.

> Now in whatfoeuer body mettall is counterfetted with his immediate brightnesse and puritie, it seemeth that the same brightnesse is incorporated in the colour, because the shining thing being condensated, shineth by reason of that polite hardnesse, which maketh it apt to receive the same, as potentia receiveth the forme. So that the resplendencie and glittering in mettals, doth commonly arise from a subtile watrinesse, and a drie and harde earthinesse, condensated in them. And consequently in all mettals, that which shall participate a more subtile watrinesse, mixed with pure and harde earthynesse, vvill prooue more pure, glittering, polite and smooth. For on the contrary side wee see, that in unpollished mettall, one parte shaddowing the other, hindreth the brightnesse, of what nature soeuer it be. Wherefore Golde shineth more then any other mettall, nexternto that Silver, and then Steele being pollished shineth like a glasse. The reason of this resplendencie, wherein the Image is receiued, is (according to the Peripatetikes) a limited and pollished superficies .

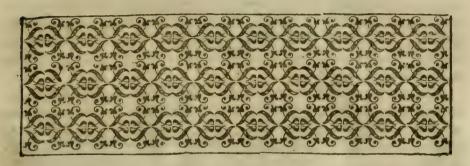
> And heere we must observe, that in expressing of armour, wee must represent the lightes more stronge and quicke, according to the distance of the fight, which by this meanes will prooue more lively and natural without the obscuring of such pictures as are painted within it. Which fault the best painters have ever avoided, as may appeare in the counterfet of Franciscus Valesius king of Fraunce, and Ferdinando king of the Romanes, done by the hande of Ticiano; and in the counterfet of Prospero Colonna,

made by the hand of Sebastian del Piombo.

Farthermore we must note, that within, vpon armour there may bee represented as it were in a glasse, all such things as are opposite vnto it, with the same colour and reflexions of light, which each thing hath, standing so neare it, that it may bee received. But all these images, and counterlightes or reflexions woulde bee dimmer then the greater lighte, which the armour receiveth from the Sunne, or some other primary light, which representeth the same. And who so euer shal doe otherwise shal shew himselfe to bee but an ordinarie painter, and vtterly ignoraunt of the Perspe-

But to our purpose: the lighte which falleth vppon the water, by how much the purer it is, (as that of running springes, or that which delcendeth from the toppes of mountaines, gulhing foorth through the itones)

Mones) makes the sandes, stones, plantes and such things as are in the bottome, to appeare where it discendes, so purifying the nature of the water, as if there were nothing betweene the superficies and the bottome thereof. Now the light appeareth so much the more sierce, by how much the quantity of the water is codensated: as may be seene in the water of the sea, carried vp aloft by the violence of the winde, against the Sunne; vpon which we may very welf ix our sight, though we cannot doe so vpon a glasse placed in this sort, against the sun-beames; wherefore the waters of the sea must be lesse lightned, then the points of the christall against the sun, on the tops of the mountaines; because they differ. So that we must ever have respect to these comparisons; because from hence ariseth the greatest and most delightfull variety of the Arte.



OF THE EFFECTES VVHICH THE LIGHT CAYSETH IN AERIALL BODIES.

CHAP XVI.



make no doubt, but that when the Aire is most cleare and bright, a man may discerne some quality of the striking of the light (besides an evident & consequent light) according to the nature thereof: yet notwithstanding I thinke, that by how much the grosser it is made by reason of the vapors, as of the water or sire, by so much the sitter it is to receive light. Which may be seene in that matter which issued to a matter which is a matte

the holes of the fore-head of certaine monsters which are found in the Northren Seas, called *Physeteres*, and many others; but most evidently in the open aire, in the clouds, which being now more, now lesse lightned, appeare vnto vs like bombace. So that we seeme to see diverse forms of beasts and other liuing creatures therein being raised with their fit lightes, as they are more or lesse dilated, much like to the naturall thinges.

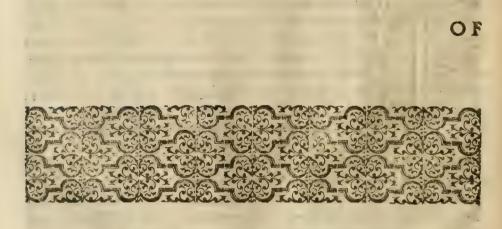
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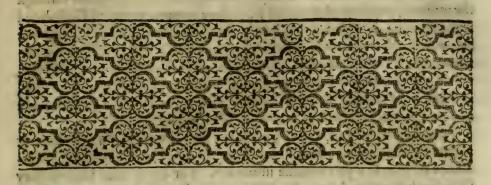
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Thus the aire being thickned with moisture, receiveth so much the lesse light, by how much it is farther of from the humidity. So that there appeareth no light at all, when the aire is wholly possessed with thicke and clowdy vapours; although in respect of the antiperistasis or repugnancie, it passeth through (after a fort) by actuating his natural vertue. And this commeth to passe, when there is so much moisture, that no sunne-beame can be seene in the aire. Which is quite contrary to that, which falleth out when the fun striketh upon the mists or shaddowes neere unto it, about sunne-set, or sunrising. For then it falleth vpon them so strongly, that it makes them seems to be of the same colour with it selfe, viz: yearlow; and towards the evening. of a deeper red, like the fire, condensated against the dry matter, in such fort. that it refembleth the light burning flame, resoluing the smoake; which the thicker it is the greater the light appeareth, as in that parte of the matter. which is most grosse; as contrarie wise in a clowde where the light striketh not, it causeth obscurity and darkenesse: so that by this meanes the light discovereth the divertitie of matters. And thus it increaseth, as it findeth the aire more fitly disposed for the quicke receiving of it; and the better, the purer the aire is; as we see in the breath which commeth out of the mouth and nostrels of living creatures.

But in a very grosse aire it is possible for the sunne to ingender lighte and restexions, as we see in the clowdes when his beames fall uppon them, how one restected upon an other. And because all such things as for their lightnesse cannot sinke downewardes, are of an ayrie nature, they are also lightned: but in so much as they are voide of heavines, thickenesse, & hardnesse, they are not capeable of a sharpe and quicke light, neither can they cause any great shaddow; as may be seene in certaine stones, as the pumice, &c: which can neuer sinke under the water. Wherefore we see, that in sleighte and light things the sun-beames strike nothing strongly: as in light cloathes, suppose vailes &c: which doe therefore seeme pleasant and sweet, in respect of other cloathes and drapery. Leaues also, barkes of trees, &c: are of the na-

ture of the aire.





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ORBOVER in the Firethere is a certaine percussion of the Light, and especially when it is most grosse; as may be seene in the fire burning in a cole, wood, yron &c: which receiveth light from the cleare slaming fire, which is next vnto it: as also in the selfe same fire, the grosser part receiveth it sharply, by reason of the subtiler and thinner, as from a more perfect fire, and lesse corrupted with mixtures, as also not being re-

strained therein, as it is in the body of Mars; which having his lighte restrained by a greater, receive the light of the sunne, as it were from a fire
exceedingly dilated, through which it passet and shineth, causing the
starres to shine. And as this appeareth in the fire which we kindle within
doores; so and much more is it discerned when it looseth of his brightnesse
and colour; as when it is kindled openly in the sunne: because this brightnesse of the seconde order is more purged and cleere. The selfe same would
come to passe vnto him, that were able to beholde the sunne-beames, in
presence of the exceeding great light of the Angels; the Angels againe in
comparison of the most glorious brightnesse of the grande sunne-lightning
Sunne. This I speake of the degrees of light, not that I am ignorant, that
there is one, and the selfe same light in diverse glasses.

This then I holde, that the Angels shoulde receive the Divine light, not from the extreame partes, but from the very middle, as from a candle placed directly in the middle, betweene a great many bodies standing

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rounde about it: wherefore the Angelical lightes ought to shine through the middest, and from aboue, (not from the extreame partes of God placed in the middest,) as if the light it selfe were seated in his bosome; and wee below, from that place whence the light commeth: and in hel fire the tormented soules of the damned, and the Devils in that thicke and grosse fire, would have a quicke light from a greater brightnesse, although but smal, as being a fire tending towardes a grosse burning redde; the grossest parte of whose matter inclineth to an earthy obscurity like bloud.

And these rules must be observed in all siers, in giving the their force & vertue of heighthning; ever indevouring to immitate the naturall resemblance of that fire you would immitate. For every man knowes they shew forth diverse colours, by reason of the diversitie of matters, wherein they are kindled; as in brimstone, whose smooth bee accompanied with his true lightes: which must also bee observed in stones of a fierie

nature; as the Carbuncle, and Ruby.

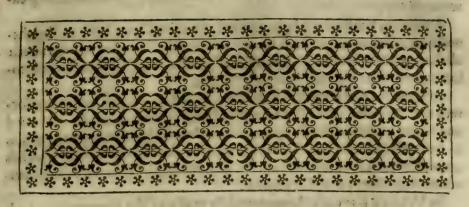
Farthermore we must note the comparisons, as if you would counterfet some heavenly brightnesse about an Angel, in the day time, you must
make that to obscure and dazell the lighte of the sunne and the day: and
this likewise of the sunne, the light of a candle, or of the sire &c: and thus
much bee spoken of the lightes which doe mutually inlighten each other,
according to their degrees and orders. Wherefore this may suffice vs,
who walke in this darke aire (which should have been noted in the former chapter) as it were in a clowde, not distinguishing the one from the other, except our mindes be illuminated from aboue.



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OF THE EFFECTS WHICH LIGHT CAVSETH IN COLOURS.

CHAP. XVIII.



E cav sn the Light appeareth farre more brighte in bodies whose colour is more conformable thereunto, by meanes whereof it causeth diverse effectes; it will not be impertinent to our purpose (hauing alreadie discoursed how the bodies, as they have affinity with each of the Elementes doe receive more or lesse light, according to their naturall agreement) to say some thing of the qualitie of colours, uppon which the light

striking, hath more or lesse correspondencie to the nature thereof, sorting so much the more lively, by how much the greater agreement they have

with the light.

Whence it commeth to passe, that vpon a Red colour the light giueth a Redde certaine thicke luster, but stronge and sharpe, which commeth to passe likewise proportionably in sanguine and well coloured complexions; for in Note. red faces the lights are sharpe and shining; as vpon the bals of the cheekes, on the toppe of the nose and forehead. Which we see not in pale, wanne, Pale. and slegmaticke complexions &c: in which the lighte is dispersed and dilated with a kinde of remisse brightnesse, because it sindeth no correspondencie with his owne nature.

Againe falling vpon Blacke, it yeeldeth no sharpe quicknesse at all, saue Blacke. only in respect of the perfection of the matter, being more purished from earthy dregges; as on blacke silke, in compatison of blacke wollen cloath. Whence in tasseties and sattens we see a greater luster then in cloath, and a

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greater then this in Inke, Ebony, and the Tuch stone, by reason of the greater humidity.

Yeallow.

Againe, in Yeallow the light causeth a certaine cleare light and brightnesse, because this colour hath affinity with it selfe: whence it ingendreth all the degrees of reslexions, but especially in the deepest and perfectest colours, and such as are most voide of palenesse.

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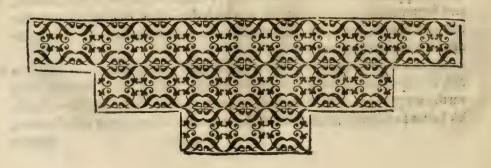
In Greene azure it causeth a certaine mediocrity, which rather comforteth then quickneth the visual faculty: wherefore when our sight is wearied and dazled, we vie to looke vpon greene, whereby it is strengthned; as also by beholding a looking glasse, by reason of the christaline moisture which is agreeable to the nature of the eie. Which effect the extreame colours cannot cause, neither yet red or yeallow.

White.

In White it is too much continued, by reason of the elecrenesse, which hath great correspondency vnto blacke, from whence it receive the his shaddow when it is striken of the light; because white is referred to the Moone. and blacke to Saturne. Which hapneth not in yeallow, whose shaddows inclineth rather to red then to any other colour: by reason of the conformity of the fiery nature which is between the Sunne and Mars, though the one be dilated, and the other congregated. And because the middle colours betweene these extreames, are intermedled with the aire, which vniteth them into one nature more or lesse, according to the vertue which prevaileth in the one more then in the other, it can have no limites of light or darke, but of a certaine mediocritie, as we see in Iupiter, in lighte ercenes, faffron colour, roles, straw-colour which is mixed of white and yellow, and part of those which incline to carnation, by reason of the agreement betweene Mars and Mercurie, which are naturally good to the good, and very bad to the bad; and so much the more in those which are more thinne, in whom the light hath greater force and resplendencie, because their composition is more agreeable thereunto.



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THE EFFECTES

THE LIGHT HATH IN EVERIE KINDE OF SVPERFICIES.

CHAP. XIX.



Aving hitherto intreated of the effects of the light in each body, according to the qualities thereof in ge. neral; it remaineth that now I say somewhat of the Superficies in general, that is, of such effectes, as are caused by the Light running vpon them In the declaration whereof, I wil containe my selfe within the example of mans body, running ouer all the feuen ages. For when we shall know how to apply, each like to

his like, we shall indge of all other superficies, by this of a mans body. And here you shal understande how the light ingendreth his effectes in bodies, according to the eminencie or depression, restraining or dilating of their superficies, from whence ariseth that harshnesse or sweetnesse of bodies, ac-

cording to the foresaid qualities of the superficies.

First then for Infancie, which is attributed to the Moone, we see the I. Infancy. lightes upon the superficies of infantes, dilated, and not sharpe; by reason whereof there is none other impression wrought in the beholder, then a certaine dilating of a fat, plumme and simple matter, without any sharpe-

This sharpenesse afterwardes beginneth to shew it selfe in Childe-hoode, 2. Childewhich belongeth to Mercury: for in children the lights beginne to appeare hoode. more sharpe, by reason of the contracting of the superficies, but with all fomewhat vnstable, shewing a kinde of variablenesse, answerable to their gestures, which proceedeth from the spirit, which in children beginneth to worke, by caufing them to diffinguish good from euil, and to have a regarde of things belonging to the maintenance of their estate.

In Youth, gouerned by Venus, (which time breedeth a facility of attaining 3. Youth, to good artes) the superficies being protracted and restrained, maketh the body seemely, as it should be alwaies, yet notwithstanding tender and deli-

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cate, so that it may not bee said to bee eyther fat or leane, whence nature becommeth freshe and prone to luxury. In this age the second Light breedeth a wonderfull sweetnes, delightful and well pleasing to the eye, being veterly deprined of the spreadding of the lightes, yet with great decencie. It breedeth sweet and sirme shaddowes, and so the eyes are sweetely shaddowed, and the nose likewise being raysed, casteth the like delicatenesse of shaddowe; and so the legges, the armes, and all the other members, like the auncient statuaes of venus carued in Marble.

Middle age. In the Middle age referred to the Sunne (wherein all the operations are concluded, and that fervent desire of honour and glory obtayned by vertue discovereth it selfe) the Lights runne with greater force, having then the greatest perfection that ever they will haue; being neither too vnpleasant nor too sweet, but much delightfull, accompanied with a kinde of sirme stoutnesses, so that in some partes they remaine something more sierce.

And thus much of the superficies of the greatest perfection to be founde in any age, which now I must leave, proceeding to the searching forth, of that crudity & hollownesse which beginneth in the Constant age of a man, dedicated vnto Mars; whose body now being settled and compacted, the heate of youth is restrained, making him more sharpe, so that now hee entreth into severity, sternenesse, and strength, by shewing forth all that force, which before lay hid.

And by this meanes the superficies is restrayned about the simmes, being boldly raysed up in one parte, and falling in another; uppon which whilest the light falleth, it causeth the partes to rise and stand out by shewing the Light, and contrariwise making sharpe shaddowes; whence that

age yeeldeth the lustiest and boldest courage of all the rest.

In Olde age swayed by Iupiter, the lightes appeare heavie and full of maiestie and gravity, as in Philosophers; and so contrariwise the shaddowess which commeth to passe, by reason the superficies is deprived of that quality of increasing and vigor, yet not crude and hollow without order, but in a middle temper betweene both, like to the desires of men of that age, aspiring and desiring rule, and answerable to the naturall vigor which is not yet departed; wherefore now the man restes wholly wel satisfied, carrying himselse with reason, gravity, and maiesty.

But in Dotage moderated by Saturne, maiesty, and naturall vigour be-

ing lost, Envie, Loathing, Coveteousnesse, Hatred &c. begin by little and little to take place. Wherefore the superficies being sharpely elevated, and making acute angles, and declining lines, cause the lightes running vppon them to appeare sharpe, being encountred with very deepe shaddowes, which breede Melancholy and sadnesse in the beholders: as the eies wholly shaddowed with the eie-browes, the mouth with the nose, the cheekes with their balles, the forehead with the pulses, and so through out all the other partes, as the concauities of the bones without sless, by the most apparant parts of the bones; all which things have a corresponden-

ey with Melancholy and sadnesse, and breede annoyance to the beholder.

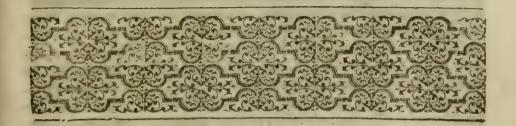
In Infancy then wee must expresse simplicity, and a dispersing of the

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lights, in Childhood a sharpe simplicity, in Youth amiablenesse, in Middle age a grave beauty, in Constant age lustinesse and courage, in Olde age gravity, maiesty, and consideration. And these are the orders to be observed, in giving lightes to all superficies according to the diversities of bodies, carrying ever an especiall regarde to the higher and more eminent partes, where the light falleth more strongly.



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BVT ONE PRINCIPAL LIGHT
ABOVE THE REST.

CHAP. XX.



E must vnderstand, that every superficies receaves the some much the more light, by howe much the neerer to the light it is, as well on high as below, before as behinde, on the right hand as on the lest; for it must needes be, that they receave one greater light, and that the other lesser lights doe by degrees followe and serve that primary light, as the chiefe and principall, which give the strength and life to all the rest. Whence

M: Angelo observed one onely principall light, in the superficies nearest to the light, and in the others he proportioned them lesse and lesse by degrees. The like did Leo: Vincent, Ra: Vrbine, Gaudentius, and Casar Sestius in their pictures, but with greater shaddowe: which did therefore so lively represent embossing, that they seemed to stand quite out of the rable: vnto whom we may adde Bernardine Lovino &c., though they wrought more grossely.

To the end therefore that we may effectually raise and heighten all our pictures, we must be orderly guided by the direction of one principall light,

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greater then the rest, which must asterwardes also be diminished according to the distance, still observing this rule, as those famous painters did; who were therefore reputed worthy painters, because they vsed their lights very sparingly, distributing them through out their pictures like pretious stones: And by this meanes they prooued most sweetely raised, shewing such perfection of arte and discretion, as made their slat counterfeits equal

(if not surpasse) the life.

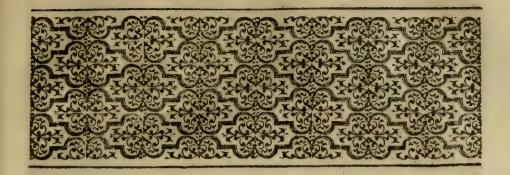
And for the better proofe of all this, we may drawe a contrary argument from their workes, who have kept an other course, giving all their lights, aster the selfe same manner, which lie so state and dead, that you shall hardly perceaue any raising at all in them; and this will appeare the more evidently, by the raising of such superficies, as certaine vnskilfull painters have stolen wholy out of the workes of Ra: Vrbine &c: in which these rules being not observed, there appeares no heighthning at all, whereas in those done by the hand of these judicious Masters, the limmes seeme to stande foorth by vertue of the foresaid percussions of light, which strike more vehemently vpon those partes, which are nearest vnto it. Which must also be observed in all bodies, with this provizo; that as the superficies is shortned, according to the distance from the light, so likewise the body looseth so much of his colour as it lacketh of his light; and so the colour sayleth by degrees, vntill the superficies decaie together with the light. And this is generally intended of all bodies.

Wherfore we must take heede how we make men vpon hils, or in meddowes a far off, whether our light cannot reach, being so little in quantity. Into which error most of the painters of our time running, loose much of the worth of their workes, making them seeme, (as indeede they are) rather painted, then counterfeited; and done rather to satisfie the eie of the rude and ignorant, then to content the conceit of the indicious. Which custome doth so encrease daily, that I feare me the true knowledge of this art will a fresh begin to decay, which in the former age was restored & brought againe to light, by those worthy painters; from the patterne of whose workes, I have confirmed all that which I have mentioned in these bookes,

concerning the precepts of this Arte.

HOW





HOVV TO GIVE THE

LIGHTS TO BODIES.

CHAP. XXI.



His is a generall rule, that the lights must bee given to bodies, according to the place through which they passe, falling vppo eyther a wall or table paynted, which must sweetely receave the same, as if it were emboffed, and so receaved it naturally. And this shoulde bee donne with such a dexterity; that the light doe euer touch more fuddainely in the middle line (supposing that part of the bodie which may be

scene at one viewe to bee devided by * 5 lines, into 4 spaces equall in * Seesherable power.)

Now the painter must suppose one of these 4 spaces to bee lost, and the other 3 to appeare: imagining that these 3 spaces which are seene, bee divided by foure lines, equall in a * perspective semicircle, making * see N: tabile. the chiefe light to strike more stronglie vppon the second line; and in the second space lightned, (which is consequently to bee placed in the third line) hee shall put asmuch shaddowe as hee seeth, and by this meanes shall the figure bee wonderfully rayled, and a greate deale more, then if the light were placed sidelonge in the first line, or vppon the middle in the space betweene the second and the third: because that makes too much shaddow, and this too much light. Wherefore the light must be bestowed in the foresaide place, as being the parte, which causeth the body to be shaddowed with his colour. So that from the other side it will run sweetly; procuring in like sorte, such a pleasant and delectable shaddow, as wee lee in the pictures of Leonard &c. where one figure doeth not wholly shaddow all the others; except it be restrayned aside in the shaddow vppon the plaine.

In ceelings and vaultes the light is taken from the windowes, so that it cannot bee avoided, but sometimes, and especially in the corners the light wil bee received in the first line, according to the aspect of firme and liuelie bodies, either sidelong, from aboue, or from belowe, accordingly as the body is turned towards the light. In the cornets or vaults of chappels, there is one primary fained light, taken uppon the pictures, which being in a manner shortned are lightned after their manner, as shalbee shewed in my other bookes.

But in giving lightes to figures or pictures on tables, walles, or fuch like, wee are not bound (as I haue saide) to take the light vpwards from beneath; for this hath onelie place in those paintinges which are in the cornets, about the light, whether they bee Angelles descending out of heaven, which is supposed to bee open, or any other coun-

terfetted historie placed there.

For these primarie Lightes, through the necessitie of the windowes of other passages of the Light, have one lie a reference vnto bodyes imagined to be there indeed, and are therefore called the life; as termes, vinets.

corneshes, freizes &c.

But vppon the plaine superficies, wee must observe this rule; that the light which wee give to bodyes, bee never perpendicular over their heades; which woulde breede this inconvenience, that the cie-browes would shaddowe halfe the cheeke, the nose the chinne, and the chinne the middest of the breast: so that if there be haire vpon the head, it would darken the whole face: and (in a word) the shaddowes all about would bee equal; which were cleane contrary to the light imagined in the second line, by vertue whereof the bodie woulde bee most sweetelie lightned.

First then according to the height of the body you must imagine the light on high, (suppose of the Sunne) but of the same bignesse, least we fall into the errour of some, who imagine a light extending his beames 3. or 4. times higher then the body lightned, which indeed is most false: for besides that the light would sodainely turne on the contrary side, it would seeme like a torch or other sier, giving light vnto bodies, and causing them to cast forth such long and vncertaine shaddowes, as we to proceed from bodies

placed in the light of the flaming fier.

Now the light taken from aboue, is imagined to stand on the one side of the picture, in such fort, that (meeting with the appointed place of the second line, vppon which the body ought to be lightned) it causeth a most sweet light; which descending vpon all the parts of the body, raiseth them without any harshnesse in the partes opposite to the light. Now that part of a body is counted next the light, which from the first pointe extendeth it selfe farther out on that side then the rest; especially if it bee from on highe.

Wherfore that light being imagined to be the quickest, causeth the superficies to receive the light more strongly, viz. that superficies which is next vnto vs., & that which looketh vpwards, both which receive it so much the

more strongly, by how much the higher they are, because they are nearer to the appointed light. And this is the originall and ground of al the other lights, which are orderly disposed through al bodies, giving the their highthning according to the direction of that only light. Which who so observeth. will not give fo many different lights, as we daily find given, by fuch as take their light from before; who in that part, where the shoulder or side should be shaddowed, make another contrary light run gliding along by the side. which they ignorantly call Reflexion, or Reverberation. Now the order how to take the light sweetly from aboue, yet not perpendicularly upon the bodies, is this.

First drawe one line from the Sunne A. to B. the soote of the * man to See the pitture bee represented, and another from A. by the head of the man C. to Numbere I have the line of the foote B. D. Now the space between B and D must bee expressed it in equall to that betweene CB the height of the man, from which the body an oblong rolled receaveth his light: and by this rule you may drawe the true quantity of the

light in a man.

But if you would represent in a shorter perspective, that part of him which is neerest vnto the light, whether it be high, lowe, or otherwise, it must ever be more lightned on the hither side, causing a deeper shaddowe on the contrary part, and then according to the decaying in the lighter part, together with the delineations, the light must be diminished as much in proportion, & the shaddow likewise lessened. In which observation consistes the whole force of the shortnings & bowings of pictures, & fro hence shall we know the true worth of skilful practitioners in the arte, whilest by this rule they expresse hightning upon a plaine, & al the distinct parts of light, darknes, decaying, and almost quite annihilating.

But to returne to that light which descendeth from on high, the ancient much vsed this way, to make their pictures and statues seeme more perfect: as witnesseth that famous Pantheon of M: Agrippa dedicated to althe Gods: which receaving his light from heaven at the top, communicated vnto the images beneath in the chappell, a most pleasant and sweete running light, causing the parts of their bodies to rise in a decent order. Which sustome

is yet kept of fuch as vnderstand it.

Wherefore from this manner of giving light (because it is taken for the better grace of Images) we may draw a necessary rule of giving it to bodies; that by this meanes to much shaddow be not caused upon the plaine of figures, as they give, which taking the light a little higher then the figure. cast the shaddow vpon the plaine as many seete or more, as the pictures are long: as though their light were placed in the horizon, which causeth them to have a contrary shaddow under the eies: a thing voide of sense. For by this meanes they observe 2 lightes very absurdly one high and another higher or lower, as it happeneth. A most certaine & infallible demonstratis on wherof we have in the Sun, which at his rifing casteth forth his beames about the legges, spreading a very long shaddow uppon the plaine, by lightning the lovver parts, and having no force or power at all under the eic-brovves, vvhich, as it afterwards rifeth higher and higher, shortneth Pp ij.

the shaddow, by lightning the vpper superficies.

But it euer casteth our shadowes towardes the North, who inhabite this temperate Zone, as the Astronomers and Geographers note. Which hapneth not vnto those that inhabite the hoat Zone, who have a right spheare, and the aquinottiall for their Zenith, whose shadowe is vnder their secte at noone: because then they have the Sunne perpendicular to their body: but they which dwell vnder the Poles have their shaddowes carried rounde about them, like a wheele.

Wherfore in these things we must consider the best effects of nature, imitating them, by proposing vnto vs their examples. And so must we doe
vpon the surfaces of high waies, taking the light from the East, in imitation of the light of the Sunne; which in that part, where it beginneth to rise,
casteth the shaddowes of bodies toward the West, and toward other parts,
according to his aspects. Which thing euer hath beene, and is yet observed

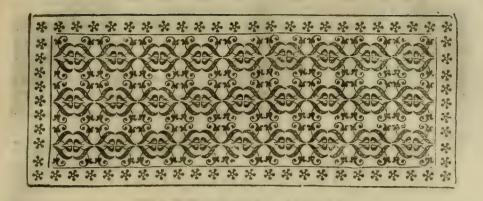
of the skilfull.

These then are the best reasons which I could observe and collect concerning the light, as well by my studie, as my practise, where I have made a faithfull report. It may be I have omitted many thinges, which surely are of so small moment, that for perspicuities sake, I thought it best to passe them ouer. Notwithstanding, it anyman be desirous to attaine to the persect vnderstanding of this Arte of lightes; vpon due examination of that which is aboue written, he shall there finde the whole substance thereof, (though voide of all eloquence) which neither the matter in hande, nor yet my present state will permit. Wherefore (to omit this point) I holde it not amisse to speake a word or two of Sciographie, the second part of Perspective: which handleth the reasons and soundations of shaddowes.



OF





OF SCIOGRAPHY.

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CIOGRAPHIE is a principallscience, and the second part of Perspectiue; considering the selfe same reasons of the shaddowes of bodies, which Delineation or drawing doth, by lines seene on high, below, or level, pondering their causes, principles, elements, differences, kindes, partes, and essentiall passions, all-waies yeelding the causes of the diversities of the appearances of the shapes of things, by reason of their

distance, farnesse off, neerenesse or situation aboue, below, or equals in the middest. This then is it, which will instruct vs in the reason of Shaddowes: whereof I might say much, saue that intreating of light, I must consequently mention all the causes of shaddowes. But least I should bee defective in giving the principall reasons of the reall and true apprehensions of the arte of Delineation in bodies, I will doe my best, with as great brevity and perspicuity as I can.



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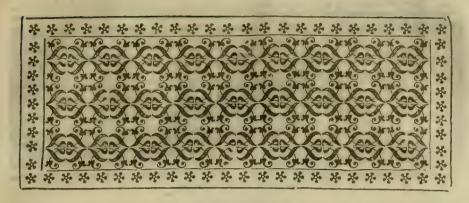


OF THE SHADDOVVES OF BO-DIES ACCORDING TO THE SIGHT ANOPTICAL.

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Y purpose is not, in this place to dispute of the nature of shaddow, insomuch as we know that all bodies with out light, are of equall darknes, in respect of our eie: so that they can never be apprehended & seene thereof: But being lightned, they appeare so much the brighter, by how much their matter is grosser & thicker. So that the light discovereth the colours of bodies. Whence wee see, that the shaddow participateth the colour of

the body, when it is inlightned, and not otherwise, insomuch that where the light decayeth, there also the shaddow endeth; where it is sharpe, there likewife the shaddow is correspondent; where it is dilated, there the shaddow is extended; and to conclude, where the bodies are parted, the Light tendeth to the same, & the shaddow to the colour. Whence it commeth to passe, that there be so many sorts of Lights, and as many of shaddowes, as there are diversities of bodies. But as touching the shaddowes aboue our eie in the Anopticall fight, I holde, that howe much the more the pictures feeme to be shortned, and their inward parts to rife higher and lower, that the lights and shaddows may be seene, so much the more or lesse light they have towards their vpper parts: because the body being seene by his lower parts, the contrary partes must needs bee shaddowed in great abundance. And who soever shal doe otherwise, shal erre grossy: because this manner of shaddowing serves to none other ende, then to the direction of the lines. Wherefore according to their turnings, situation, diminishing &c, this followeth, increaseth, and descendeth, according as they run vpwards and fidelong, answerable to the light on high, or on one side. And this is meant of all forts of polition aboue our eie, by meanes of a quadrant line. But I proceed to the other shaddowes of the second sight.



OF THE SHADDOVVES OF THE

BODIES ACCORDING TO THE SIGHT OPTICALL.

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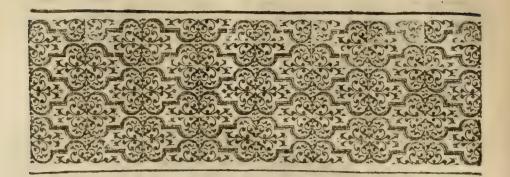
Nsomven as the Direct lines are not diminished or shortned either a little aboue, or a little below the Opticall line, the shaddowes being accompanied with dainty sweetenes, are lesse apparant, if not according to the increase of the lines described in the body aboue, yet at the least in the declyning of the foreparts below. So that there is but little shaddow required in bodies, according to this sight, saue onely that the lo-

wer and hinder parts of the body, are lightned, by the reflexions of the Primary light, which falleth vpon the parts nere thervnto. But the shaddowes and lights are much more apparant in the sight Anopticall, because (by reason of the turning of the part seene below, on the side contrary to the light which beginneth as it were to retire towards the vper ende of the lightest part) there is a very great reflexion ingedred, like vnto that, which the Sunbeames make, when they slide along vppon the Sea at Sun-rising. But because these rules & observations of the radiation of the light, are of so great difficulty and obscurity, that they can scarce be plainly delivered in writing I proceed vnto the last Reall sight.

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OF THE SHADDOVVES OF BO-DIES ACCORDING TO THE SIGHT CATOPTICAL.

CHAP. XXV.



HERE is no fashion or position of bodies, which sheweth lesse shadow, then that which is seene under this sight. Because having their upper parts seene in such sort, that the hinder lines be raysed up, it must needed be, that much light appering, the shadowes decay, & much more, then if you should see them upon a slat, where they fal in great abundance, and in the part opposite to the light; alwaies attending thereon as well in

this, as in all other politions and fightes, whereof it will aske to much time to intreate particularlie; and the rather, because I have discoursfed so much of Light, that I may well bee silent in Shaddowes. Notwithstanding I thought good to say this little in the conclusion of this treatise: because shaddowes areas it were the tayle of Light, insomuch as there can bee nothing more base and abject then they, being of so Melancholye and heavie a Nature, that the verie Kinge of shaddowes and darkenesse beneath in the center of the earth, disdaines them, and cannot abide them.

VVherefore I passe them over, indevouring onelie to expresse them so in my workes, that they shall rather appeare like the pure

matter of the things lightned, then like thaddowes.

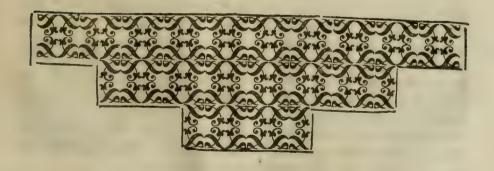
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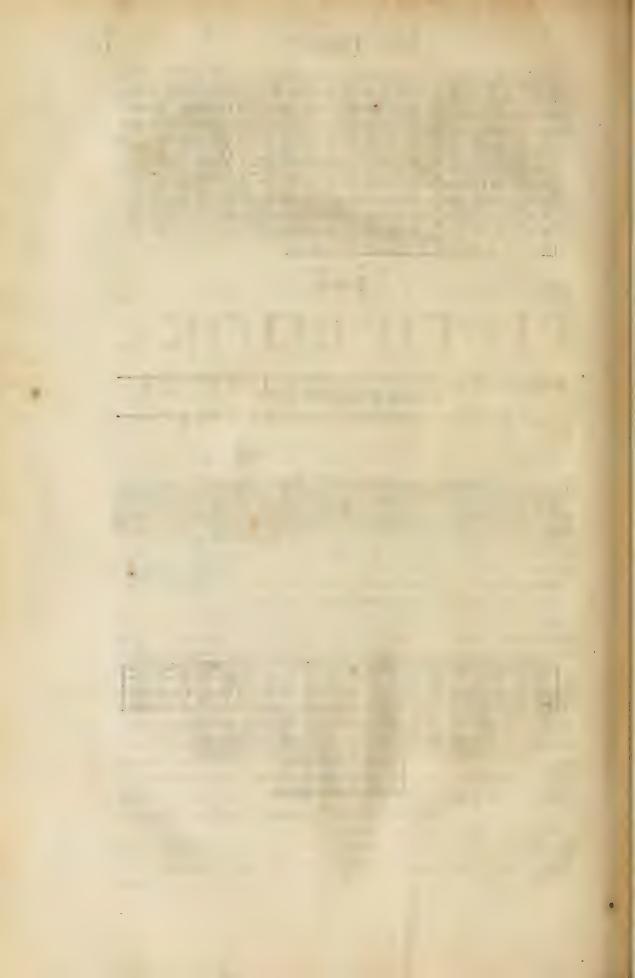
Wherefore in observing this, wee shall make our bodies seeme neate, cleane, and pleasant to the eie, by reason of their naturalnesse, ever avoiding the shaddowes of contrary colours which some vie; by shaddowing Scarlet with blacke, yeallowe with sad tawny, blewe with sad ashcolour, and white also with a colour which hath no affinity with it for a shaddow; (as all colours saue blacke) which is onely his true shaddowe, being first lightned with white, because they are (in a manner) the one no more melancholy then the other. For if blacke bee resembled to the earth, and to darkenesse, this other shalbe like to the colour of a dead man.

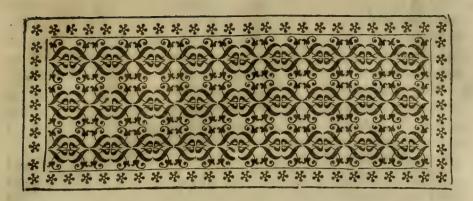
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OF THE PERSPECTIVES

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CHAP. I.

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RISTOTLE hath this maxime, that fuch as the ende Thefirst grand.

is, fuch ought the means to be which lead unto the same,

viz. proportionable, and fit for the obtaining therof.

As for example, if a man would ascende to the top of
an house, he must take a ladder proportionable thereunto, or some other instrument fitte for the purpose.

Neither wil it suffice to take an instrument of any sise,
but onely such a one as is absolutely proportionable,

otherwise it will not serue for the purpose.

Farthermore, for the better perfection hereof, it sufficeth not that this meanes or instrument be absolutely proportionable, except it have another

To doe sibes. ther helpe, which the Philosophers call * admelius ese. So that an instrument ought to have two qualities; the one, that it may guide vs to our wished ende; and the other, that it have such vertue and perfection, that it may performe our purpose better then any other. Which approoued verity, shalbe the first ground of that which I meane to say in this proeme.

The fecod ground.

The second ground is, that all wise and sufficient artificers having two instruments, the one which will barely serue their turne, and the other, that besides the meere sufficiency, hath moreover the perfection admelius esse ioyned thereunto, ought cuer to choose that which hath them both together: as for example; if I were to trauaile to Rome, and had my choice of two horles, whereof the one would carry me, but with great paine and trauaile, and the other, which would not onely carry mee, but with fo great ease and delight that I should scarle feele any trouble, I were absurde if I would not make choyce of the most commodious horse for my vse.

Hauing laied these two groundes I conclude, that the immediate end of Painting and Caruing from their first institution is, to make such images as shall represent to mans eie the true proportion, together with all the perfections of naturall and artificiall thinges, but chiefely of Man. Now this being the immediate ende of this arte, it followeth plainly, that Pictures are the meanes or instrument, and the Eie is the Ende; which agreeth with that first position of Aristotle and the other Philosophers, and consequently that this meanes, viz. pictures, should be proportionable to the eie, which is

their immediate ende.

Obiec:

But if any man shall object, that the images doe not represent naturall & artificiall thinges to the eie, but to the understanding and to the memory, I reply, that it is true that the finallende of images is the vnderstanding, but the eie is the immediate, according to that of Aristotle, there is nothing in the understanding, which was not first in the sense: and so it must needes be, that before these images can come to our understanding, they bee first

in the eie: that is, they must first be seene.

Repl:

And if peraduenture it should be replied, that although the immediate ende of pictures be to represent to the eie the proportion and other properties of thinges, yet the painter doth this by regarding and imitating the true & exact proportion of things. For whereas naturall and artificiall thinges are the rule and measure of painting and caruing, we ought not to depart from the rule, measure, and proportion of these thinges; and so much the rather. because the ende of this arte is to imitate Nature. And this cannot bee done otherwise then by causing the images to represent the naturall things with all possible arte. And then (questionlesse) they carry the best resemblance, when the workman observeth the naturall proportion of the things. As if a Painter would represent Iulius Casar, which perchance ought to be ro faces in height, out of doubt, hee cannot better refemble him, then by making his picture of 10 faces. For if Iulius Cafar were 10 faces high & the Painter would take a true counterfeit of him, he ought not to make him of nine or eleuen faces: for that were a foule error, and would not expresse the proportion of Iu: Ca: but of some other man of the stature of 11 or 9 faces.

Vnto

Vnto which argument (though it seeme to presse strongly) I answere by Answere this generall conclusion, and most pregnant truth, that no painter or caruer ought in his workes to imitate the proper and naturall proportion of thinges; but the visuall proportion. For (in a word) the ere and the understanding together being directed by the Perspective arte, ought to be a guide, meafure, and judge of Painting and Caruing. But if the painter would worke to fatisfie and please onely himselfe, and meant not that his doings shoulde come to the view of other men, then hee might make his pictures after his owne humor. But proposing to himselfe by his painting two thinges, viz. Profit and Credit, hee must in any case make his worke of that quality, that euery man may judge whether it be well done and according to true pro-

Nowe this judgement cannot be given, except the eie give place to the worke, and the understanding judge of the proportion. Wherfore of necessity, the pictures must be made conformable to the eie, and this can neuer be done in keeping the naturall proportion; but by following the visu. all proportion of the eie, that so we may attaine vnto our ende, viz. our

credite and commodity.

Neither let any man obiect that the judgement of the eie ought not to be followed, because it is subject to deceipt. For (besides that he is much more deceaued himselse in perswading himselse that all other men are deluded, and onely he understandeth the trueth) it were an easie matter to prooue, that neither the eie in beholding the proportion, nor the vnderstanding in judging thereof, are deceased; and so that both the eie and the vnderstanding are just and vpright judges. So that the painter and caruer following their owne judgements, ought not to observe the proper and naturall proportion of thinges in their workes, but that which appeareth to the eie.

Now wheras all our knowledge is grounded vpon sence (as Aristotle noteth) it is most euident, that the vnderstanding of Man judgeth of the proportions of figures, and other thinges, in such fort, as they are seene of the eie. So the eieseeing the quantity of a figure, the vnderstanding judgeth that it is of 9 or 10 faces, or more or leffe: but when the figures are remooued a farre off, the cie cannot deliuer to the vnderstanding their true naturall quantity; whence it commeth to passe that the understanding cannot iudge of the same proportion. And that it is true, that figures standing a farre off cannot be apprehended of the eie in their true quantity, it may eafily be prooued by 2 found reasons.

First that the figures doe not carry the species and shapes vnto the cie The first in the same quantity, or (to speake more properly of the figures) the ayre reason. doth not carry the species which it taketh from the images, standing a farre off, to the eie in the same individual quantity, which the images have; but cuer carrieth them lesser and shorter in quantity, according as the ayre standeth farther off from the thinges: so that suppose an image stand 20 cubites, or one stadium from vs, the first part of the ayre which is next to the image (being continued) bringeth a long with it the species or shapes,

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and represente them to the second part of the aire, and this second parte represents the same to the third part in a lesser quantity, in such wise that the species being by degrees more and more diminished, doe ende at the last, and goe no farther in the ayre; because they rest in the eie, in a pyramidall forme: so that if there were no eie at all in the worlde, yet this would ever bee the nature of all bodily thinges, that their species woulde passe through the aire bet weene 2 lines not parallele. Whence (according to the Positions of the Mathematicians) they must needes meete together, and so the space betweene these 2 lines commeth to an ende, and is concluded

in the point of the intersection.

And if this which hath bin faide hitherto shalfeeme vnprobable, yet this is without exception, that if the species of things should be represented in all parts of the aire in the same quantity that the things themselues are; as it were betweene 2 parallelelines; for example, if the species of a man of 10. faces should be represented in every part of the aire in the just quantity of 10. faces; this groffe inconvenience would follow, that a finite thing hould have an infinite power. For (according to their opinion that would have the species, not to be diminished in this manner, but to appere in the same quantity in all parts of the aire,) if we suppose the aire to bee infinite without any impediment in the middest, then these species wilbe seene in every part of this infinite aire, and by consequence the species of a man shalbe extended infinitely in that volumited aire, So that a limited bodie should have an infinite power; then which, a fouler absurdity cannot be imagined in Philosophy, the Mathematiques, or Divinity. And furely it were strange that an Angell should have his power so limited, that working in one place he cannot worke in another at that same time beyond his vertue, and yet a man should extend his species infinitely. And let no man obiect that this is a passue power; because no creature can have an infinite pa fine power.

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The second reason is, that if this were so: there would fall out one thinge contrary to the experience of all men, and sense it selfe. That a man might say, that although the ere be far of from the thing, yet not with standing hee should see it in the same manner that it would bee seene in, if it were never; so that the same power of the eie being informed with the same species vnder the same quantity, it would seeme impossible, that it should not see after the same sorte, in what place soever it bee, neere hande, or far of.

For Experience the true mistresse of all things teacheth the cleane contrary; that we doe not see the selfe same thing distinctly after the same

fort, but the farther it is of, the lesler it appeares.

Wherefore it must needes be, that the species doe not proceede from the thinges in the same quantity, but that they are diminished. For if you shal take a large glasse, and therewith make trial of that I say, you shal find by evident proofe, that the species of things are diminished according to their distance from your eie. For if you stand neere to the glasse it wil represent vnto you the whole quantity of the Object, & there you shal see the species

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and images after the same quantity, but standing a sarre of they will seme lesse vnto you, and so much the lesser, by how much sarther you stand from the glasse: so that in the ende, they will not be seene at all. A most evident argument, that the species proceed from the thinges betweene two lines not parallell, but in a pyramidall figure; so that it cannot be seene of

the same quantity in every place.

From this consideration of the diminishing of sigures in a glasse, I have drawen this rule and arte of shortning & abating pictures in Perspective, as shalbee handled in the next booke, which treatest of Practise. Because the seeing faculty being informed with a great species, judgeth the thing to be great, and being informed with a small species judgeth it to be smal. Wherfore, nether the eye is deceaved in seing, nor the Vnderstanding in judging of the proportion of things, but the Painter and Carver, whoe make their workes, to the end they may be seene by the eye, and censured by the Vnderstanding, indevoring to make them seeme proportionable to the beholder, & yet ever make them flatt contrary to discretion and the arte of the Perspectives; For if they make a sigure, suppose of 10 faces, that must be placed a far of from the eie, and therefore ought to loose one face in the decay of the sight, they must not therefore make him of 11 faces; because whosever seeth it will judge it to be just 10. And so they should change the nature of all creatures.

And if an image haue lost one face by reason of the distance of place (because the species which come to the eie from far, are diminished) then they wil cause the vnderstanding to sudge contrary to the information it hath. But if the species which informeth be no bigger then 9. faces, because they would have the image to be judged of 10. faces, they would cause the species to be of 11, and then the image shalbe thought to be of 10; for before

the species commeth to the eie it wil loose one face.

Wherfore the workeman must ever beare in mind this principle of Aristotle: First to consider the end, and then to proportion his meanes answerable thereunto; and so in making an Image which he would have seeme proportionable, he must forme it sutable to the eie. Which he shall doe, if he Thape his picture so much bigger, as it looseth in regard of the distance from theeie; So that he shal first marke of what proportion he would have his picture seeme. Then shall he consider the place where he meaneth to set it, and if the distance wil cause it to loose one face, he shal adde somthing proportionably vnto every face, so that if the Image should be of 10. faces, he shal make it of 11. increasing it by one face, and so will the eie judge it to be but of 10. faces. And if the distance shall cause it to loose 2. faces, he shall make the picture of 12. faces, and it will in like fort feeme to the eie to bee but 10. faces. In like manner if the artificer be to make a Colo Rus of 10. cubites, and the head thereof (by reason of his distance from the eie) shall loofe one third part of the head, he must make him bigger by the third part of the head, and so will he seeme proportionable to the eie.

The generall rule is this, that looke how much the whole image loo feth, all that is to bee distributed through out the whole image. But when the head (for

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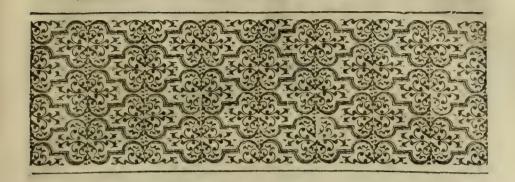
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example) looseth something, and is shortned, it must be made bigger. The like observations are to be kept in althe particulars, and as much as thinges loose, so much the bigger they must be made. And this is the true arte and proportion which the ancient observed in all their workes: And for this cause the Images in Traians columne in Rome which standon highe, are made bigger, and so they seeme all of one bignes. For the iudicious workman made them so much the bigger, as they lost by reason of the distance from the eie. Wherefore Phidias and Praxitiles in those statues which they made in mounte cavallo at Rome (because being very great ones, their heads would loose something by reason of the distance) made them bigger in proportion then the life, and so they seeme most proportionable. And this is the cause why I having intreated of the natural proportion in my first booke, have now added this booke of the Perspectives, where I meane to handle the visuall proportion of the eie in Perspective. For the natural proportion is (as it were) the foundation of this visuall proportion.

But you will fay, that indeed when the Images stand a farre of, wee must keepe the visual proportion, in perspective, but when they stand neere, the naturall. I answere, that although the Images stand neere the eie, yet we must not wholly observe the naturall, but wee must regard the grace of the figure; And that proportion which is most decent to the eye must bee followed, as Raphael and all other good workemen vsed in all their workes, wherein we shall find seete in pictures something too little, and legges longer then the life. In a word we shall find other particulars in their workes, which adde a wonderful grace and beauty to their pictures: for the eye delighteth to see certaine parts of the body slender, others slessie and tender, and others keeping their natural proportion: but arte cannot give rules of the particulars, because they are infinite. Howbeit my diligent reader, shall find such sufficiency of rules and precepts in these my observations, that if hee make vse of them, hee shall (Ihope) prooue sufficient in this profession.







OF THE VERTVE OF PERSPECTIVE.

CHAP II.



V c H is the vertue of Perspectiue, that whiles it imitateth the life, it causeth a man to oversee and bee deceaved, by shewing a small quantity in steed of a great; the onely reason whereof is, because the eye is never offended with seeing a natural body in anie place, whether aboue, belowe or esse where, because it is daily acquainted therewith. Wherefore, when a thing is expressed by the Perspectiues, in a lesser quantities.

tity then of it selfe it is, the eie is verie well pleased therewith. And this vertue is of so great moment, that it appeares not onely in good and judicious, but even in rude and vnskilful workes: as vppon mine owne experience I haue made proofe, allowing the Perspective of 2 pictures shortned after the viuall manner, and grounded upon the skill of master workemen, which I have notwithstanding afterwards (vpon better examination) founde falle, and drawne either from Modelles for practize, or donne by a pownce, or grate, or else by the cie. Neither of which waies is safe in drawing of perspective, for (besides the deceit which will appeare in the worke) a man cannot see the thicknesse and backer partes of the Modell (although it bee a bodie) without which who foever shall thinke to make commendable perspectives, is much deceaved. And let no man imagine, that Mi: Angelo drewe his shortned pictures from Models; insomuch as hee was not onely skilfull heerein, but was passing well seene in the arte of turnings and bowings in all his shortnings; which ever prooved admirable, by reason of the stout and boulde inflexions of the limmes, insomuch that you woulde would imagine they might be seene in the wrong side: neither is there any other way whereby these strange effectes may be performed, besides this, whereof I purpose to discourse in this, but especially in the next booke.

And now to proceede, I affirme moreover, that figures or pictures being placed in a true correspondency betweene themselves, have this power and vertue, that which way soever they be looked on they seeme to carrie the same height, and according to the disposition of the first, the rest behinde will seeme to answere sutably, as may be seene in the histories of Ra-

phael, and other good Painters.

But the principall vertue of this arte is, that it teacheth the way how to make figures absolutely true and perfect after all fortes; and hath nothing to doe with Carving, faue onely in observing and imitating things extant or standing out by imbossing: which the Carvers considering, grew proud of. alleaging, that the Painters could not lighten their apparrel in Perspective, without the helpe of models and fuch like things; having an eie only to certaine ignorant Painters, who patched out their credit by these modelles; whence it commeth to passe, that they can scarcely finish one picture in a whole yeere, so that whiles in their owne judgment they grow skilful in this point of Sculpture, they cracke their credit, a instreward of their ignorance. A thing never vsed by the best painters; who vsed first to prepare certaine fure, wel-leasoned and infallible Cartones (according to the foresaide rules whereof I wil intreate more at large in my natural discourse)& then sleightly delineated their worke uppon cloth, with 4 or 5 stroakes of a cole, which being afterwards heighthned and lightned, their former true draughtes feeme to be so apparelled, that their foulds and pleights doe not exactly resemble the life, but partly their patternes: which seeme to carry a verie probable shew with them (faue onely that there appeare certaine vncooth inflexions) which Gaudentius exceedingly well observed, keeping a certaine method in the plaites of his garments, which none besides himselfe was a ble to performe, drawne partly from the imitation of nature and partly of arte. This being first donne, they afterwards gaue the lights, by the same arte they made the foulds: for the consideration of the one cannot stand without the other, as they welknow who have made proofe hereof.

And from this fleight sprang al those famous workes, as may appere by their beautiful and iudicious handling, namely of Raphael, Polidore; & Alb: Durer a most painful and wittie Painter (though he followed somewhat a grosse course) who alone hath made more histories, phantasses, battailes and conceites, then almost all the rest, being all verie welfet forth, as may appere by the multitude of his Prints, cut with his owne hand in most exquisite and painful sorte. Wherefore in this respect the Carvers must not imagine Painting to be any iot inferior to Carving, because that yeeldesh them some helpe. For although painting make vie of models, yet these are

the workes of Plasticke and not of Carving.

But to draw to an ende, the good painter hath this special benefit by it, that thereby his arte is not a little graced about the rest; who afterwardes in all his apparell imitateth the life, from which the true order and method

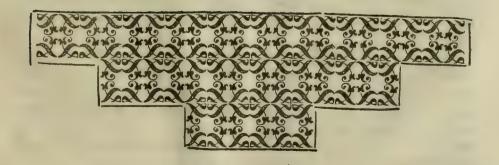
is drawne, and not from those ragged clothes, dipped in water and chalke, as the manner of divers is, wherewith they shall never be able to represent true cloth, &c. And hence arise so many different sortes of cloth, all farre from the truth. Whence we may collect, how great care we ought to have for avoyding this practile; not so much in regard of the losse of time, as because our workes will never come neere the life.

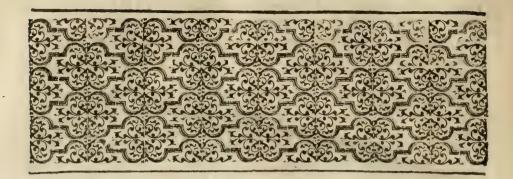
Besides, from hence spring those distractions and discontentments in the minde of the workeman which ought especially to be auoided. For to the ende he may worke the better and more conceitedly, he had neede of a quiet and settled minde, which is euer accompanied with a facility of performance, and security of the arte. And so being not oppressed and crossed with perturbations, and aduisedly waying and discussing what soeuer he intendeth, he bringeth the same to most happy perfection. But to speake vprightly, none are truely capeable of these high points, but such as are well grounded in the principles of the arte, and throughly acquainted with all the essection. For the which cause I exhort all painters to apply these selly attained to their desired ende. And so I beseech God to open our vnderstandings and conceits, whereby we may the better attaine to all these his good giftes; in whose name I vndertake this discourse of the Perspectiues.



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THE DEFINITION OF PER-

SPECTIVE.

CHAP. III.



ERSPECTIVE (being subordinate to Geometry & as it were the daughter thereof) is a science of visible lines: So that the subject therof is a visible line; the causes, principles, vniuersall and immediate elements whereof, it indeuoureth to finde out, considering the genus, species, esentiall differences and accidents therof. Of which arte the worthy Geminus, an ancient writer of the Mathematikes treating, he divideth it into 3

kindes. Optica or Perspectiua, Sciographica, and Specularia. Optica he sub-

divideth into 2 kindes: Physiologica and Grammica.

The Physiologicall part searcheth out the vniuersall principles, causes, and elements of all visible things, together with their parts, kindes, and most proper differences (but in a generality) which are principally three. The first is called Direct visibility, because it handleth the direct beames. The second Resected, and the third Researched: which is performed in the water,

glasses, &c.

chen all the rest; this is source solde. For he which delineateth, considereth either True sightes, or False and deceiptfull; which are of 3 sortes, Anoptica, Optica and Catoptica. Anoptica bendeth vpwardes, whose base or lower parts are eleuated about the Horizon. Optica is extended foreright, leuel with the Horizon. Catoptica declineth downwardes beneath the Horizon, appearing as if it came neerer the eie below.

Now the skill of the workeman consisteth in shewing False and deceit-

full

full fightes infleede of the true; which very few can exactly attaine vnto: because it is wholly occupied about shortnings, interlections &c. And these foure partes serue to the arte of Drawing, Carving, Architecture, and Imboffing halfe rounde called mezzo relievo; whose severall kindes are * Anaglyphice, b Diaglyphice, Encolaptice, d Toreutice, or Smalta-wardes.

* Soria; Plastice which is imbossing in earth or waxe, Tomice and Paradigma- Engraving tice.

The second species called Sciographie, handleth the causes, principles, schaeing upon elementes, kindes, partes, and essentiall passions of Shaddowes, yeel-shinne plates of ding the reasons of the varietie of the apparitions of the shapes and ima-gold, street, brasse occupied ges of thinges, by meanes of their distaunce, nearer, or farther of, a- by the Goldboue, directly against, or beneath the eie. All which pointes are orde-smithes.

Turning, and red and gouerned by the lines of Grammica, which distributeth the lines pollishing or of the superficies as they ought to bee, according to their distaunce and glassing. fituation, as heereafter shallbe shewed. This Sciographie moreouer (ac- Enamiling pool of the superior of the cording to the faide rules) confidereth the shaddowes of bodies accor-ver co. ding as their superficies is eminent, low, or broade. Neither am I igno- See Pompe rant that many are of opinion, that this is the same, which Vitruvius calcalaura. leth Scenographia, that is, the fronte and sides of a building or any other Scenograthing, whether it be superficies or body; affirming, that it hath the verie phia. powre of Grammica, consisting in three principall lines; for example, the plaine line, that which runneth towardes the pointe, and the line of distance. It is reported that Agatharchus, Democritus, and Anaxagoras haue written heereof. And some are of opinion, that it is absolutely neceffary for a Painter, as if therein consisted the whole arte of shortning, with all the other difficulties accompanying the same.

But leaving them to their owne opinions, I purpose to followe the proposed order, according to the ancient approoued definition and division

of the Perspectives.

The last species called Specularia, considereth the reslexion of beames, Speculagiuing direction for the making of Glasses, and shewing all the proper- ria. ties and deceites thereof, which shewe diverse apparitions according to their distinct formes: Concaue, rounde, plaine, pillar-like, pyramidall, Swelling, angular, inverted, erected, regular, irregular, sound and cleere. With this kinde of Perspective Pythagoras, Plato, and one Hostens about Augustus his time, were much delighted (as Calius reporteth.) And Appollonius and Vitello haue written heereof, as of an arte whereby admirable conclusions may be performed; as we reade of a glasse which Pomper the great brought away amongst the spoiles of the Easte, in which you might fee a whole armie; and of certaine others which may bee fo composed, that they shall shew althe about named qualities.

Now concerning Delineation the most necessarie parte of Perspective, and his true and false sightes, togither with the disposition thereof, it shall not bee amisse to shew, what Sight is; howe it is to bee understood, and after vvhat forte it vvorketh. Then will I handle the Beames, Di-Stance, and Object: and last of all the three kindes of seeing, with their

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lines: in which pointes, at this time Clariccius, Meda, the Basi, with divers other Painters, Caruers, and Architects, are very well seene. And heere I professe, that I will not handle them like a Mathematician, but speake of them according to the vsuall practise of the painters, and mine owne observations out of pictures of all sortes of men, and what soeuer else is subject to arte.



OF THE MANNER OF OVR SIGHT IN GENERALL.

CHAP. IIII.

Plato.



Mongs T the best Philosophers which I have reade, concerning the reason of our Sight, I finde divers and fundry opinions.

For Plato thinketh it is caused from that brightnes, which proceedeth from the eie, whose light passing through the aire meeteth with that which is reslected from the bodies. Now that light wher with the ayre is inlightned from the sunne, diffuseth and disperseth it

selfe vnto the vertue of the fight.

Galen.

And this is Galens opinion. Wherunto all the Platonickes leane, who in their commentaries affirme, that the eie fees nothing els, but the light of the Sunne. Because the figures of the bodies are neuer seene, but when they are illustrated by the light, in so much as their matter neuer commeth to the eie. This then is their meaning; that the light of the Sunne, being as it were painted with the colours and figures of all the bodies whereon it falleth, representeth them to the eie, which by vertue of a certaine naturall faculty it hath, apprehendeth the light of the Sunne thus painted, and after it hath receaued the same, seeth the light togither with all the pictures that are in it. So that all visible things (according to the grand Platonicke) are apprehended by the eie, not after the same sort as they are in the matter of bodies but as they are in the light, which is insused into the eies. And these are the reasons of the Platonickes.

But

But Hipparchus saith, that the beames which issue foorth of the eierea- Hipparching vnto, and in a fort touching those bodies, doe deliuer to the sight the chus. thinges receaued.

The Epicures affirme that the resemblaces of things which appeare, doe The Epiof themselues enter into the eie.

Aristotle is of opinion, that the incorporeall similitudes and qualities Aristotle. of things, come to the fight through the alteration of the ayre, which environeth the visible thinges.

But Porphyry teacheth, that neither the beames, nor the refemblances, Porphyry.

nor any other thing are the cause of seeing, but onely the minde it selfe;

which knoweth all the visible things, and is knowne of them all.

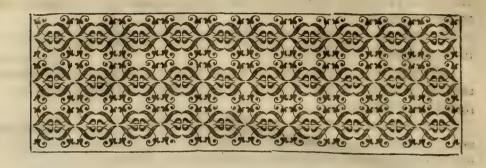
The Geometricians and Perspectivers drawing neere to Hipparchus opi- The Geonion, doe imagine certaine cones meeting with the beames, which pro-metricians ceede out of the eie, whence the fight comprehendeth many visible things and Persp: together, but those most certainly where the beames meete together.

Alchindus is of another minde concerning the fight.

Saint Augustine holdeth, that the power of the minde worketh some-Saint Authing in the eie. Which opinion I meane to ioyne with the rest in the chap-gustine. ters following, freely handling them in particular, for the vie of painters, so farre foorth as they shall agree with the truth; least some cholericke fellow or other, who neuer knew what contemplation meant, nor yet euer understood how to deliuer the conceits of his minde in writing, might (like Æ-sops dogge) snarle at me, imagining in his grosse conceit, that I spake at randome.







OF THE MANNER OF SEEING IN PARTICULAR.

CHAP. V.



LTHOVGH in the former chapter, I have intreated of the reasons of sight, of the Medium, & of the Obiect; partly according to Aristotle, and partly to Plato, (as may be gathered,) having moreover in the same place alleaged divers other opinions to that purpose; notwithstanding (for more plainenesse sake) following the Platonicke Euclide as the cheise Patron of this faculty, I meane briefly to deliver mine owne opini-

on concerning this matter.

First then the Eie being the instrument of sight, hath many coates or skinnes, in the middest whereof lies the Sight, which tiseth from a certaine streight passage called in Italian otero, proceeding from the braine, to the extremitye of the pupill, whence the vertue of seeing ariseth.

Now the beames are dilated as they come forth; because they issue out in great abundance and very forcibly. For when a greate power and vertue passeth through a small and streight place, in the verie going foorth it disperseth it selfe everie way, in such forcible and violent manner, that it seeth by this proper and direct vertue, and not by a sloping and forced. Whence Euclide in his Perspectives affirmeth, that all the thinges which are subject to our sight, are not seene together at once: meaning that we see there onely, where the streight beame is formed, and extendeth it no farther to the rest, as a thing impossible. And because this is one of the principal

cipall groundes of the Perspectives, he made it his first Proposition.

- But to returne to our purpose, we must vnderstande, that all our senses proceede from a general vertue properly seated in enery part; so that if that vertue were divided into infinite partes, the whole power thereof would as well be found in each part, as in all of them together: as appeareth in the Elements of water and fier, in each small portion whereof, there remaineth the selfe same power of washing, colding, hearing, and burning,

which is in all the other parts together.

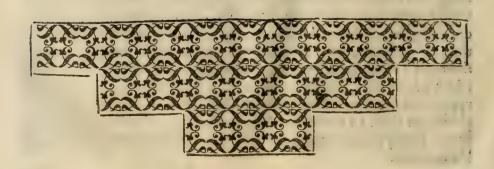
And least any man should be deceased, concerning the operation of the foule, performing this diversity of effectes; as to see, go, &c. He must vnderstand, that these vertues are not in the minde essentially, but proceede from the forme and figure of the body. Which because it is diversly framed, the minde passing through this variety, worketh diversly together with the body. As in a paire of Organes, whose sound although it proceede from one onely breath, winde, or aire, conucied into them, yet notwithstanding by this one simple winde they performe distinction of tunes, according to the variety of the pipes. In like manner all the variety of voices and foundes in the world have their originall from one onely ayre; not that the ayre hath this variety of voices in it selfe, but because it is apt to forme these in other bodies: In like fort our foule, hath not all this variety of effects in it felfe, but is endued with a powerfull vertue able to beflow them vpon other

instruments, made fit for her purpose of seeing, going, &c.

Now the soule separated seeth not the species of the object, neither wor- In this place t keth any such effects as it doth being joyned with the body, whence these for obscure, shas effectes proceede, but it performeth them by it selfe, and that far more ea- 1 shinke she fily because it is free, and being free becomes most quicke and light. Now coppy much core light things moone with greater facility then heavy. Wherfore the foule is more quick without the body; as appeares by the winde and the thunder, the matter wherof is a very swift spirit. Now whatsoeuer can containe another thing in it selfe is a spirit, and is able to comprehend both heaven & earth. But one body cannot containe another body within it selfe, by reason of their diversity: whereas the spirit being incorporall may comprehend both corporall and incorporall thinges: Corporall, because it selfe occupieth no place as they doe, wherefore they may be contained of a spirit, although they cannot stande in a place, which is alreadie filled with an other body: Spirital and incorporal thinges; because it is not possessed of any bodily thing; and what so euer is without body, is a spirite. Now one spirite may fee and judge of another spirite, because it, not being possessed of any bodily thing, seeth all corporal thinges, insomuch as it passeth forth through the bodily instrumentes. And because the spirite doth not forsake it selfe, therefore it returnes backe againe to it selfe, carrying with it all those things which it hath seene, and returning backe, it findes a body, namely the Eie, vppon which it staies. Now because it hath seene bodily thinges, it representeth them to the bodilie sense of the eye, whereby it receavesth them, and by helpe thereof judgeth of them: because they are corporall, like to it selfe.

Heere then is a Compound, confifting of 2 partes, viz. a Body and Spirite, both which because they are coupled together, doe also worke together, the spirit by the spirit, & the body by the body; the spirit by the body. and the body by the spirit. The spirit by the body, because it bringeth bodily things, which are more easily conveied by the spirit; because the body without the spirit cannot draw any thing vnto it; For whatsoever it would draw. it must draw it by the helpe of the spirit, that is spirit ally. For a spirit cannot drawe a body vnto it bodily, but spiritally. And this is the operation of the spirit in the body. The body worketh vpon the spirit by retayning the spirit with it felfe, to the ende it may know things like it felfe, and make them ynderstood of the spirit. And hence it commeth to passe, that we know the bignesse of figures by reason of their distance, which are afterwards crossed, & as it were cut a thwart: because the eie standeth athwart or opposite to those lines, which cutting each other by those lines which come to the sight it conveieth the figures to it selfe, apprehending the thing betweene those lines. Where those lines doe afterwards cut, the thing seemes bigger or lesser, according as it receiveth the species more athwart: but whether it be neere or far of from the eie, the things seene by the beames, are ever cut vpon a streight line; because the cie is streight, and turneth his beames sidelong and round about every way; so that by his spiritall vertue he seeth that which is spiritall: for that which is spiritall filleth nothing, because a spiritall thing hath noe part fit for such a purpole. Wherefore as soone as it is gone forth of the bodily things, it feeth all incorporal things, the corporal things being not there before: but be cause the corporal part is not his, there fore it is possessed thereof, and by that it retaineth the sight in the eie. And it must needes be that, that which can containe other things in it selfe, doth convey all things into that, which can conteine them. But because I must particularly handle the beames and the eie, I will here conclude my difcourse of the reason of our sight.







OF THE BEAMES OF THE SIGHT.

CHAP. VI.



He*Beames of the fight (which are those which going "Seeb.e in the forth of the eie, doe apprehend all the particularities Table No of the objects to be painted, as the bottomes, corners eminencies, profundities, breadths, spaces, heightes, thicknesses, and whatsoever else may be represented vppon any wal or table, that so it may become a limited picture, the extremities, or superficial sight of the thing hiding the inward partes) doe returne directly

backe againe to the eie, whence they proceeded. So that the outtermost beames compassing the superficies of the object round about, are vnited in the same forme, togither with the profundity and eminency in the eie; that is, in the point with the inward beames, causing an angle there.

Now as the objects feeme bigger, leffer, or equall to the eie fo they make a bigger, lester or equall angle in the same. So that the divers particularities of the object cause diversity of beames; which returning backe to the cie forme divers angles: because the object is apprehended very speedily. infomuch as the eie worketh uppon the same with great celerity, in that it feeth with divers beames, so that this celerity seemeth to be proper to the fight, especially when the object appeareth not too exceeding big. Hence it commeth to passe, that when we stedfastly behold any thing, the beames which goe to the profundity or bottome thereof, seeme to be aboue, and those aboue in the eminency or top seeme higher, and some others seeme to fall one vpon another, because one side of the object hideth the other, as falleth out in other kinds of extending the beames. But vnderneath at the end or breadth of the thicknes, the beames will alwaies seeme higher then the first of the top, because some of them being longer and others thorter, when they are cut of in their appointed place, doe cause diversity of spaces and shortnings. Whence arileth the whole reason of false and deceitfull fightes, as shalbe shewed in his due place.

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And because all obiects seeme to come to the eie by a pyramis, having all their partes divided by the beames, they must be set in the picture so much the lesse, by how much the neerer to the eie the beames are cut, being applied to the distance: and contrariwise so much the bigger, by how much the neerer they are cut to the obiects: and these must be applied vnto the nerenesse, although by the greatnes and smalenes of the selfe same thing, there be another thing meant, as shalbe declared in his place.

" Lines either of Signification or Operation.

All these beames are considered two waies. The one to * signifie, as now. I have shewed: and the other to make: and it is called a line which reprefenteth the fignification of the beame, and the prefigured demonstration of things, with such a subtile matter, as scarce occupieth any place, and hece it commeth to passe, that the eie cannot see a thing that is crooked, & passeth along by one onely line; the reason whereof is, because it looseth the corporal visiue forme: so that the thing which it would see, ought to be contaynedbetweene 2 lines at the least. Wherefore they take such a quantity as is sufficient for the cie to discerne, because every great thing is contevned within many visuall lines. But that which cannot be feene, is that (as Enclide in his 3 prop: fayeth) which may almost bee scene, meaning visible things, which are purposely shortned with formall lines. But as concerning the beames, sometimes one so passeth through 2 or 3 particular places of the geometricall and proportionall Obiect, that by that line onely the one will so touch and fall uppon the other, that they cannot be seene in a picture, but onely by contemplation.



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THE EIE THE INSTRV-MENT OF SEEING THE

BEAMES.

CHAP. VII.



N so MV CH as the Eie is the chiefe foundation of the Perspectives (for indeede without it they canot stand) therfore the Perspectivers call it the * Center, Marke, * see be in the Point, Terme, and the Cone of the Pyramis, which (as table ? I haue saide) is vsually made according to the forme and base of the object in our fight. First then it is called the Foundation of Perspectiue, because by it there The founare two fightes formed, the one Naturall & the other dation.

Rationall: Naturall insomuch as the shapes of things scene, doe come vnto it simply by the beames which it receaues: Rational, because it farther confiders the reason and effect of the sight, whence the Perspectives are deriveds& vpon this are the first elements of the art grounded. It is called the Center because all the lines of the base and circumference of the object, doe Center. fo meete in it; as in a circle all the lines runne from the circumference to the center. And hence is it also called the Marke, because it is a determinate Marke. place, where the whole reason of the raising of bodies, with their eminecies, thicknesses and shortnings atile, by meanes of the things depending thereon. It is called the Terme, because by it all things in a picture are limited, and Terme. whatfoeuer is made without the disposition of this Terme, cannot be either good or true: because it is not fitly disposed for the sight, being not ordered according to the visuals beames, which are sent forth from the eie, through the whole. Wherfore they which worke without this Terme, (that is without an Eie vnto which they may certainely referre all their figures, and the parts and members thereof) are vnworthy the name of Painters, and may more truely be called dawbers, wasters of colours, discontenters of the eie, and breeders of confusion in the world. And that this is necessary & ought to be observed for a principle and substantial point of the arte, may euidently appeare; for as all visible things are referred to the eie in respect of their colour and forme; so all those things which we would represent, ought

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to shew the same effect, otherwise it is impossible, that any body should be seene in any gesture or action whatsoeuer. These then are probable pi-Etures, and by consequence those which faile any iot of these rules, are lesse probable, but such as are veterly deprived of them, are so farre from the name of pictures, that they are onely dawbings, and playstrings done at adventure, not onely with the loffe of time and faire colours, but with in-

famie and disgrace &c.

Farthermore the eie is called the Cone of the Pyramis, because all the space betweene the object, and the lines or beames which passe along, and are extended from the extremities of the object to the pointe of the Pyramis, ende therein, as it were in the pointe or Cone thereof. Wherefore all the shapes and resemblances of things seene, ende in the eie, which togither with the vnderstanding ought to judge of their true formes, to the ende it may be able to immitate them perfectly. Whence they vyhose eies are continually exercised in beholding faire and beautifull things (endevoring after their example to represent them in the most beautifull and absolute manner they can) are euer accompted good workemen, because their cies are so apt to receive these beautiful things, that abhorring all absurdities, they cannot choose but make most beautifull pictures : whereas contrarivvile they who are ignoraunt thereof, are not able to judge of anie piece of vvorke they see, vvhether it be beautiful or vnsightly, faue only by a kinde of natural instinct, as it were at the first sight &c.

Whence it commeth to passe, that they cannot so well and throughly judge of the trueth and effectes of the Perspectives, nor conceive the right order how things are seene, and ought to be represented, making choice of the fittest things in the picture, and delineating them in such order, as the eie apprehendeth them, after the example of the eie, vvhich draweth vnto it the formes and refemblances of althings: as hath beene exactly sheweda little before. M: Angello that famous caruer, painter, and architect was wont to say, that neither all the skill in Geometry and Arithmeticke, nor the examples of the Peripectives could any vivhite profite a man without the eie, that is, vvithout the practife of the eie; whereby he learneth how to beholde things so, that he may bee able to expresse them by handes adding moreouer, that the eie may be so practised in these matters, that by meere fight, without more angles, lines, or distances, it may be able so to guide the hand, that it shall represent whatsoever he list, but no otherwise then that which it feeth beholding it Perspectively. So by the helpe of exercise grounded vpon the persection of arte, that may be expressed in a sigure, which the most skilful in the Perspectives cannot doe.

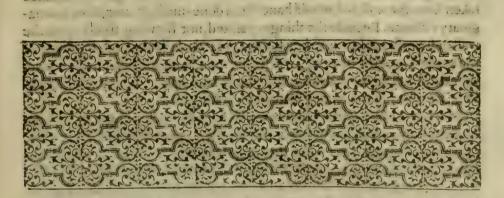
Howbeit he that is neither skilful in Geometry, nor exercised in drawing cannot attaine vnto, nor expresse it by his speculations, divisions, proofes, intersections, &c. Wherefore to conclude; the whole ende of this Arte is nothing else, but the knowledge how to describe what soeuer is seene. For in this arte of drawing there occurre certaine secret observations of bendings, turnings, hidings &c: in mans body, which cannot be understood of any other, but of fuch as worke with vnderstanding: as amongst the ancient were Pain-

philus,

philus, Pythagoras, Plato, Archimedes, Euclide, Geminus &c: whole workes fhew their skil herein. In which they give vs to vinderstand, what subtile difficulties there are in the Perspectives; which are only knowne, to true painters, by reason of a certaine continual exercise, though not to Mathematicis ans and such as are meerely skilful in the Perspectives, without the practise

of drawing.

Whence it came to passe, that no man hath handled this Painters Perspective, (especially * Grammice) having written onely of the arre in gene * Delineation rall, and bending their whole discourses to the vie of Astronomers, Sceno- or drawing. graphers, Makers of glasses, Physiologers, Optickes, Paynters, Architects, Carvers, Dial-makers, and Geographers, whole workes depende upon the observation of the starres. Wherefore let no man mervaile, if in handling the Painters Perspective, that is of delineation, according to the perfect and Geometrical bodies, I make no mention of certaine things, which (speaking in generall of the whole) I ought perhaps to have touched. But because the eje feeth not without Distance, it followeth that now I speake thereof.



OF DISTANCE.

CHAP. VIII.



HOSOEVER then intendeth to draw any thing, must know that he cannot see without Distance; that is with out some space betweene his eie, and the thing to bee feene. For if the thing touch the eie, a man cannot fee; because the aire commeth not betweene: Againe if the thing shalbe too farre of, it cannot be seene: for if we would draw a great thing in a small roome, wee must so order it, that it may come small to the eie. If

therefore the fight would make a thing seeme greate to the eie, or the eie woulde see it truely, it must draw the same vnto it through the aire by the helpe of the beames of the eie: because these things are required to the per-

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feet fight: viz. the bodily eie, the spiritalleie, and the object. Truth it is that as in obtuse, blunt, and short distances, things sceme to decline and runne backwards in vnseemely fort: so contrariwise, things too farre off, & making acute and tharpe angels in the eie, give no grace to workes, deceauing the eie too much, as being placed too farre off,

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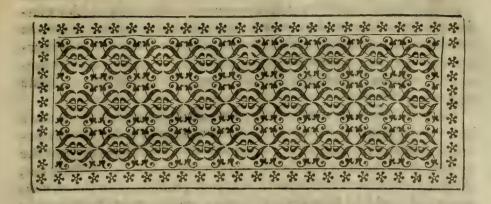
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For both which causes wee must make especial choice of a convenient Distance, which shalbe this: viz. That the per son which beholdeth, stande off from the object or wall seene, three times the height thereof; as also in tables and figures, we must take our distance 3 times as far of as the height of the figure, whereof I meane to entreate plainely and orderly in the booke following. And this distance is the most proportionable to the eie that can be deuised, and is that which makethall painted workes appeare more gratioully to the eie, then the extreames can doe. But because the absolute de. termination hereof confisteth in the vnderstanding of the workeman. I wil not spend much time in setting downe the reason therof. Onely I will subfcribe to the judgment of Baltha far Petruccius, & Raph: Vrbine, who when they would paint a wall with a narrow way, and galleries with wals, thought it no disgrace, not to represent the in their picture according to the distance taken from the wall; but would have them done much greater, after an imaginary distance. Because the thinges painted, not shewing truely upon the wall or superficies; but as if they stood a great deale farther off, by reason of the extension of the beames, will seeme more faire and beautifull, where the other shall seeme to decline and shoote backwards. This example may

ferue for all other things, as Chappels, Vaultes, Halles, &c.

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Moreouer, the ancient painters would have the view or fight of pictures through hals or such like places at the entrance, or at one ende of the place (if neede forequire.) But when they are too long, it is requisite that the distance be not drawne out so far, to the discomendable extremity: either that the lineaments be quite lost, because they are drawne out too far: or the colours cleane decaied by the comming betweene of the aire. Such experiments of painters concerning this matter (who have farther perswaded themselves that without this distance they could frame all thinges, making them carry as perfect a refemblance, as if they were done by rule; and that they could finde out this distance, which before I have shewed to be most rare and beautifull in all workes, and know by the same wherin it consisteth, iudging therby which are the most beautifull workes with such like misteries of speciall worth) gaue vs the first occasion to make vse of Distance, a thing truely knowne but to very fewe. And those fewe who were acquainted therewith, have neither taught it to any, nor committed it to writing: faue onely Vincentius Foppa, Andreas Mantegna, Leonard, and Bernardo Zenale, of whose workes (written very obscurely) little hath come to my fight.



OF THE OB-IECT.

CHAP. IX.



HE Obiect is the thing which standing before our See the fixe eies, is seene of vs, of what quantity soeuer it be, so cubes in the it be not so small that it flie the fight. And this should neuer stand nearer to vs, then that space which in the former Chapter I haue allowed for the ordinary distance. Nowe whosoeuer shall imagine any other obiect, is much deceaued. Wherefore in painting any history it is required, that the first thing which

so all the rest may rateably recease their just proportion. And this first figure is called the Naturall: which must bee represented standing, in a manner in the beginning of the ende of the distance taken, from whence what soeuer you would place inwardes towardes the * cie, ought to be pro- * of the worke; portionably diminished, according as the lines or beams shall extend them-not of the be-Telues. For whatfoeuer you place behinde the object or naturall thing holder. which standeth in the first place, must bee diminished; before which you may place nothing, except in so doing you alter the first distance, your eie,

you would represent upon a wall or table, be of a competent bignesse, that

Wherefore, when so ever we would place any thing on the hither side of the naturall object, wee must (as I have shewed) make it bigger then that

neerer or farther off, it is alwaies either encreased or diminished.

and your biggest object, causing that which stood in the first place to seeme leffer, by diminishing it. For by mooning a thing out of his place either

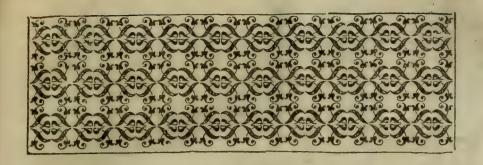
first natural thing. Which way I holde to be every false, and therefore not to be followed but if we put the true neerer vs, then those which are farther of being as bigge as the natural, they must be diminished, and made lesser then the naturall, yet they will seeme bigger; because they are neerer vs, though they seeme not bigger then they are. Agains if these be neerer, they will also seeme bigger then the others, and yet will they not seeme

bigger then they are.

Now all these things may be done, because the Distance may be made bigger or lesser at our pleasure: and this commeth to passe, because the species or shapes of the thing seene, occupieth the whole space betweene the extremities of the thing and the eie; and where that space is crossed or cut, the thing becommeth greater or lesser at your pleasure. But the true distance is that, which I have already shewed, and this makes it immutable; because the object being orderly disposed, may not bee mooved up and downe like a fether. So that if we shall sufficiently examine these things at the beginning, before we undertake any worke, and so consider the encreasings and diminishings which may fall out in the object, we shall never erre. For the better essecting whereof we must be every carefull in ordering our object, according to his line of intersection and shortning, which I call that perpendicular and of the wal or table, which procureth the whole delight & beauty of the worke, as being the marke wherevnto all the parts of the body are drawne, whence also the shortning riseth.







OF ANOPTICA THE FIRST

SIGHT OR REALL AND VPPER LINE.

CHAP. X.

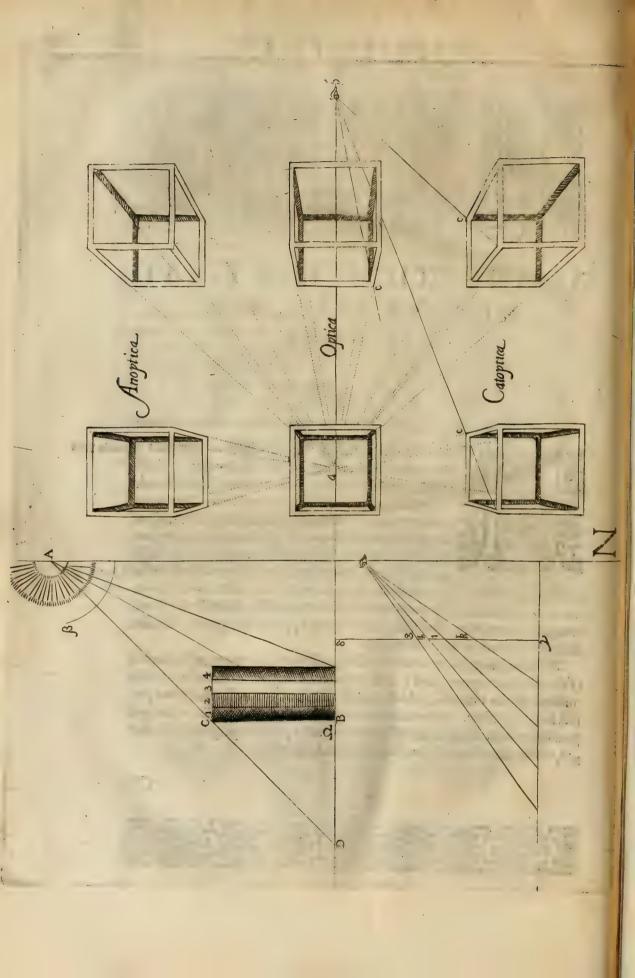
AVING discoursed of the principles of that part of seethe Table the Perspectiues, which is called Grammice, & chief- No ly belongeth vnto Painters: it remaineth that I should now speake of the first sight thereof: viz. Anoptica,

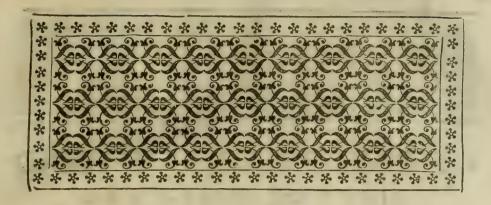
whose principall office is, to consider all the parts of the object placed about the Horizon: so that by vertue of his beames, it bringeth them to the intersection, or *line of shortning: whence according to the + In the figure

situation of the body, it causeth the farther and hinder partes to run down 2 %. wardes, and the nearest and vpper parts to flie vpwardes, whence the shortnings and increasings, declinings and slyings uppe of the partes of bodies described in Perspective, are caused.

This line Anoptica, as it hath his Originall from the center or beginning of the distance, eye or point; so it returnes backe to the same through the middest of the beames, which couple all the extreame limits of that perfect body together. Wherfore you may make the interlection where you please, howbeit the true intersection is made upon the perpendicular line y: s, where the distance opposite to the eie, beginneth.







OF OPTICA THE SECOND

SIGHT OR REALL MIDDLE
AND DIRECT LINE.

CHAP. XI.



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HE second reall sight of Grammica, is that which is nearer the object: so that the vpper partes of the object belong to the abouenamed sight, and the lower to Catoptica. Optica then is that sight, whose beames doe principally touch all parts of that body or object, as well aboue as beneath, and therefore it is called direct. For the beames parting themselves strongly at the eie, and falling upon the nearest partes of the ob-

iect, doe ende there, causing the vppermost and lowermost partes to bee shortned and diminished, and the eminencies to hide the concauities, and the largest partes to couer the narrowest, making the object to encrease & diminish by distances and spaces, which are caused in the perpendicular by these and such like, from the returning of their beames, whence all the disficulty, as also the grace and beauty of the arte ariseth: which appeare in such sort, that you cannot measure any part of your picture by his true superficies, but onely accordingly as it is situated with shortnings every way: A thing well knowne to seawe or none.



OF CATOPTICA THE THIRD

SIGHT OR REALL AND LOWERLINE.

CHAP. XII.



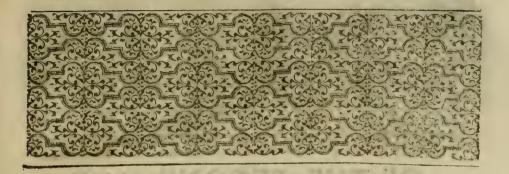
HE third fight is that whose beames touch all the lower parts of the obiect to be painted, conducting them to the point of intersection a.c. So that when the obiect is below the eie, the partes which are farthest of from the eie seeme to rise vppe, and the foreparts to decline downwards. Whereas in Optica whe the obiect is placed directly opposite to the eie, the thicknesse thereof is represented by a meere plaine su-

perficies, as well on the forepart as the hinder, causing the hinder partes to descend (as in *Anoptica*) and the formost parts to ascende with certaine eminences exceeding the height. And so is joyned with his beames to the higher partes of the center or middle, which also meeteth with the vp-

perpart.

So that these three reall sightes are every way to be understoode according to the situation of the objects, either high or low, which by reason of their partes really assigned, they carry to the intersection, in that degree they finde them, and are not extended any farther. Wherefore I refer that which remaineth to the deceiptfull and sained sightes, which though in truth they be but all one; yet by reason of the variety of diminishing and shortning, they may bee called *Vppermost*, perpendicular, uppermost* in perpendicular, midle, and lowermost*, from their admirable effectes offered to the eye.

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OF THE FIRST DECEITFULL

SIGHT * VPPERMOST PERPENDICVLAR.

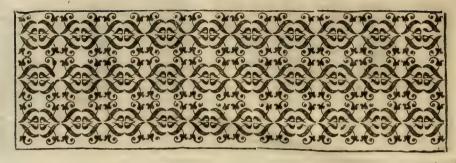
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* The fame kinde of delineation, which is described in the 11. chap, and the 16. chap, although different in place and situacion: Duterus calleth this kinde of worke Impression in sundamentum,



He second part of Grammica requireth that I should Duserus ealhandle Deceitful sightes; and first of all the experimost less this kinds of worke Impression funthe intersections are carried to the place appointed damenium, for the shortning, which at the first were ordained in the perpendicular, by reason of the vpper partes, and so it representes to vs the figures in a little space from below perpendicularly in the toppe of the vault, per-

fectly expressing as swell the lower, as the vpper partes. But those which stand out in length are (for the most part) so shortned, that the sigures seeme broader then they are long, working this strange effect invoards, that heereby they seeme as great as the Life. After which manner the picture of God the Father is done by Pordonone, in the toppe of the roose of Saint Maries in Campagna of Placentia. Moreover, there were in Saint Maries de Scala in Milaine, the foure Evangelists after Bramantes handling, which from belove you might see sitting at the top with admirable art; though they were afterwardes defaced, when the vehole church was whited at the instance of a certaine grosse-headed Church-warden, who had no more judgement in painting, then a goose. A thing much to be lamented, that so worthy a memorial of art should bee so much defaced, that there was not left the least trace or signe of dravving.

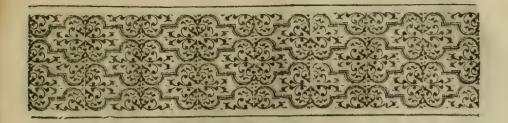


OF THE SECOND AND OBLIQUE DECEIT-FVL SIGHT.

CHAP. XIIII.

H 1s fight or maner of lines, causeth vs to see the Oblique shortnings in their places: viz. such as may bee made in the vaults of Chappels not in the squares, but in the semicircles and such like places, as the tiburij, or truine. Whence from the declining of the vault the figures and other bodies may be seene standing as perfectly upon their feete, as if there were no vault at all. So that in making the vaulte appeare, it causeth no

interruption therof, if we expresse the Chappel in such fort, that it seeme to be truely open to heauen, or with other pretty inventions as the vse is. This is one of the hardest waies of shortning, because we must not onely worke by lines and beames, but also be sure not to erre a iot, as shalbe sheved in * Lib 6.cap. 13. the a next booke: so that the things which are made about may not stande one handes breadth lower. But because this point (insomuch as it is very hard to be conceived) would aske a larger discourse, it shall suffice onelie to alleadge a few examples hereof, for more plainenesse sake. Whereof one is to be seene in Millane at Saint Maries de Carmine, in a Chappel of the life of Mary Magdalene, of Zenales doing. The vaulte whereof is made after this maner, having diverse Saintes sitting upon the Cornilhes, done by the hande of Austen of Milane. Another is in Parma of Antonio Coreggioes handling, of the Ascension of our Lady, with terrible figures rounde about, which are shortned in this fort.



OF THE THIRD DECEIT. FULL SIGHT ABOVE.

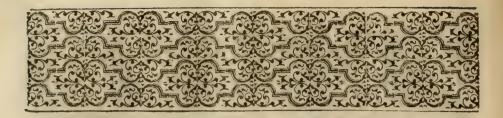
CHAP. XV.



Y this fight all the figures or bodies placed aboue the eie, are shewed by their lower parts more or lesse, according as they stand higher vppon the wall at the Horizon: Wherfore, the hinder parts runne inwards, and the formost slie vpwardes, and some parts hide each other: whence you shall see wonderfull great spaces, stretching foorth of armes, shortnings of legs &c. Finally, in these kinde of figures, you canot see the

vpper partes except they bende much forwardes.

Who so is desirous to see figures done after this order, may beholde a great wall most artificially wrought in Milane, neare the Castle, with certaine Romane stories, painted by the hand of Troso da Moncia: whereunto it is almost unpossible that any thing should be added. For it is most admirable, as well for the figures, as the Architecture and strange Perspective. Moreover he may see a piece of Bramantines worke in Milane, upon a wall of Latuadi, going towardes Porta Beatrice; and an other of the same at the East gate, and in Saint Maries di Bari upon the cover of the Organes, and the toppe of the Church. And in Mantua neare the Dukes, you shall see Casars triumphes of Andreas Mantegnas doing. All which workes are done by rules and judgement. An example whereof you may see also in S. Mar: di Gratia in Milane in the Covent at the top of the cloisters, in divers histories above the eie, done by Bernardo Zenale; and by the same man the foreparte of the Organes, in Simpliciano in Milane, where he hath painted the Annunciation.



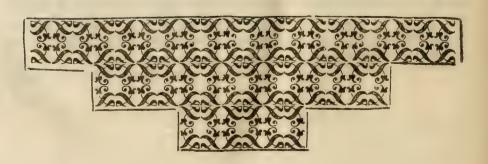
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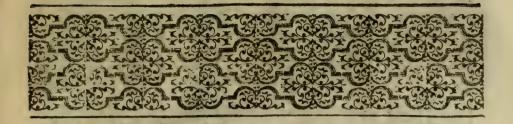
CHAP. XVI.



His fight (or middle line) is that vivinch giveth a body in such sort, that in the hinder parts the nethermost superficies seemes to runne vpwardes, and the vppermost downevvardes. Wherefore our eie must strike directly vpon some part of the body, as about the middle. This is the least shortning that can bee, and yet it considereth all those difficulties that the others doe. In this manner you have the Chap: of Saint Pe-

ter and Saint Paule, in Saint Frauncis church in Milane, painted by Bernard Zenale, by whom and Bernard Buttione a Milanese and very well seene in these matters, you have in Milanese Chapell of Saint Ambrose of the like. In San Pietro Giessato a Christ taken downe from the crosse, done by Bramantino. In Milane likewise vpon the gate of Saint Sepulchers church, and especially of Raphaels vvorke in Rome, in which histories you shal see the vvhole middle, the toppe, and the bottome dravvne to the eie, after the true order of all other excellent vvorkemen.





OF THE FIFT DECEITFUL SIGHT BELOW.

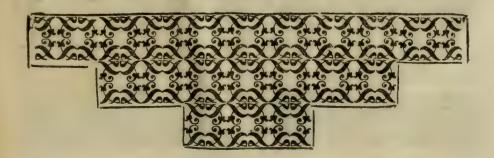
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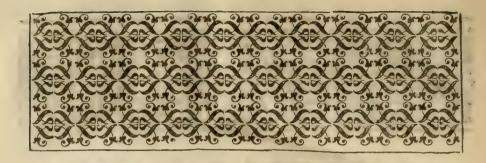


HAT SOEVER pictures are seene from aboue placed more or lesse belowe the Horizon, are all made according to this sight, which also teacheth the reasons why they are so made. It causeth their rising vp on high, the running downe of their hinder partes, and the increasing and abasing of their fore parts: and belowe it makes that appeare, which from an highe seemes contrariwise to be evpermost. In the restit

followeth the others, and hath the selfe same vinderstanding, though the effectes bee divers. And according to this sight are the three histories of Michaell Angelo, painted in the Vatican in Rome. Viz. The last indgement, The Conversion of Paul; and Saint Peter drawne uppon the crosse, both which are in Paulina.

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OF THE SIXT DECEITFUL SIGHT BEING DEEPE OR INWARDE.

CHAP. XVIII.

His fight represents vnto ys vppon al plaines, the bodies stretched out vppon the Earth in Perspective, with the head one way and the seete another, seeming verily to runne into the wal, by performing the like effect in this place directly against the eie, which a significant doth being wrought in a vault perpendicularly about the eie, according to the first sight. And this is also to be vnderstood of such, as stande so vppon the

plaine and lower ground, that they cannot bee seene from aboue but onely directly or belowe; and so you may see onely the heads of people standing all about in the plaine, or else in such as standing vppon the top of an high hill or tower looke downeward. And thus we see how all these thinges are drawne from such sightes or lines as are represented to our eie, which serue onely to instruct vs in the true reason and method of this arte. Which is done by the helpe of bowings, raysings, turnings about, windings, standing sidelong &c. Whereof it would be too longe to discourse, especially the matters being so obscure. Wherefore it shall suffice, for brevity sake, to show them plainly in the next booke or practize.





OF BOWINGS.

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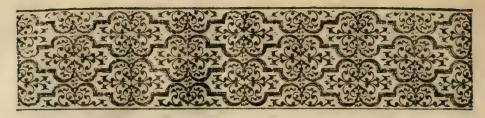


Y Bowings I meane the vertue which procedeth fro the particular parts of bodies proportionably expressed, performing some actions with other bodies, whence appeareth a mutuall quantity, which Albert Durer teacheth in part, li. de Sym. 3. And from these together with the arte of diminithing (whereof I have spoken in part before) are the most perfect shortnings drawen. Now from the multiplicity of the actions in

mans body, we may easily gather how many sorts of bowings there are. For they apeare to our fight; either standing vpright on their feete, fore-right, side-long, backwards, obliquely, and extending their upper or lower parts.

Farthermore they may be shewed crooked, standing on their feete directly, fore-right, side-long, obliquely, backwards and bowing rowards the right hand, the left hand, forwards and backwards. Finally from all forts of actios thele bowings take their name for there is no part of the body which hath not need of the bowing of another, to the end it may become proportionable. And hereby may you make all bodies in any kinde of action, (I meane not in shortning, viz. that the members should gaine & loofe, but in their true properties) As Al: Durer hath shewed in divers heads & figures. where he after this order, doth most plainly shew how to bring one quantity into another, to forme the faces so that they shall looke some vpwardes, some downewards, some sidelong, and others for eright, answerable to the bases or bottomes of the parts described: whence it is evident that we may not make a figure without proportionable shortning, but that wee must make it bow according to the vertue of that which we would make fidelog, taking it from the forepart, or the hinder, and these from the sidelong, never fuffering one member to rest upon, or under another. The oblique ones alfo are taken from the oblique but more certainly from the bales. And although there be divers other waies & rules concerning these natural Bowings, but especially for the transferring of them into Perspective (wherein is required a deepe infight) yet notwith It ading I purpose to say no more therof now, insomuch as they rather appertaine to Drawing then to Writing, iudging it better to proceed to the Levations.

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LIFTING VP OF THE DIES VPON A PLAINE LINE.

CHAP. XX.



HERE can no Elevation lifting vp of bodies be made. except it be ordred sidelong, and shewed in the best manner that may bee for our fight, vppon that line which I call the plaine line , y, viz. which is behinde the line of intersection y. A either aboue or belowe. And although there be some other waies to performe this, * yet you may follow this. Now this line is that. in which the bases of all bodies which are to beelifted

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vp, are conteined, and accordingly as it is well disposed, so will our worke prooue. So that we must be very diligent in observing al their side-stadings, because they must be shewed with great arte. For this is the whole roote "Ground plot, and foundation of the * Icnography of bodies, being of such force in stories, that it suffereth not one body to take up the roome of another, or a thing to be placed where it cannot stand: to be made bigger then it ought to bee, or bodies to seeme to hang in the aire, or be made in caues vnder ground, or a man to stretch forth his legge, or make a larger pase then he is able &c.

Wherefore by the direction and help therof all works are made perfect. so that all things have their diminishings according to their true degrees, and each body his true increasing and diminishing. Now in these sidelong Elevations there are very great observations, as the farnes off of buildings, together with their greatnes and smalnes, according to the proportions of all bodies. Wherefore being holpen and aided by the true vie of the other fightes, they appeare perfect without any trouble or feare of errour, and if they be defective in other parts, yet at the least in this point (wherein consisteth the chiefe force of the arte,) they will bee absolute: wherein Andreas Mantegna, & Ber: Zenale excelled. And thus much be spoken of the leftings vp; vnder which we may colider whatloever else belongeth therunto. And thus concluding my discourse of the Perspectives, I meane to say somwhat of the other kind of bastard Perspective, to the end, that nothing might bee omitted, which the ancient haue either delivered vnto vs, or observed in their workes.



OF PERSPECTIVE IN GENE.

RAL, ACCORDING TO BRAMAN-

TINO A PERSPECTIVE PAIN-TER AND ARCHITECT.

CHAP. XXI.



Remember I have reade something concerning the Perspectives of Bartholomeus called Bramantino a Milane se and an excellent painter, which I purpose to fet downe in this place; to the ende we may know the opinion of so famous a painter concerning the same. Wherein I wil not immitate the envious disposition of some, who are contented to bury the labours of other men, for the advauncement of their owne credit.

Howbeit I am not yet resolued to publish a certaine treatise I have of the Perspectives compiled by Bernade Zenale in the time of the great Plague, written with his owne hand and dedicated to his sonne; marry this much I will promise, to put forth heereafter, a certaine ancient worke of Vincentius Foppa a Milane se, wherein (besides that he writeth very largely) there are also certaine draughtes done with his pen, so that this worke seemeth to comprehend althat which Al: Durer handled in his Symmetry; from whence (by his leaue) he tooke the greatest part of that he hath written. For besides diverse other goodly things, you shal finde those heads which are shortned by each other, that is transferred in quantity, which were likewise transferred with a plummet by Master Daniel Barbarus, in the eighth part of his practife of Perspective, where he speaketh of the measure of mans body, and of the Icnography, or bottome of the head.

But to returne thither where I left; Bramantino writeth, that Per spective is a thing which counterfeiteth nature. And it is 3 fould. The first working by rule and reason, the second without reason, by meere practise: and the third following, partly reason, and partly practize. Concerning the first which worketh by reason (because it is briefly set downe by him, and yet

conteineth in it the whole arte) I will fet downe his owne words.

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THE FIRST PERSPECTIVE

OF BRAMANTINO.

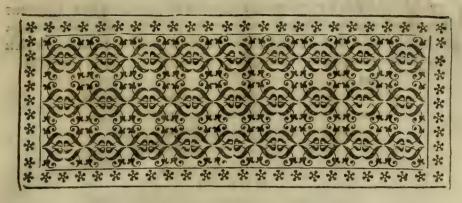
CHAP. XXII.

Well; the Second starke naught; the Third in a mediocrity. Wherfore the first is called Perspective, or the reason which expresses the effect of the eie, causing things to encrease and diminish according to the effects therof. Which increasing and diminishing proceedeth not from the thing it selfe, which of it selfe in respect of his nearnesse or farnesse off, cannot increase

or diminish but it ariseth from the power of the eie, which being small and yet endeuoreth to fee a very great thing, it must needes send foorth his vertue, which disperseth it selfe to so great a wideth, that it comprehendeth the whole thing it would see: and approaching neare thereunto, it discerneth it in his place; so that the whole space of the aire betweene it and the eie is filled with the image of the thing. Wherfore, as it is cut of in divers places, it feemes bigger or leffer according to the interfection made; howbeit, if it be not removed from the eie, and the eie keepe his former place, it will alwajes appeare after the same fort. For it appeareth greater and lesser in diuers respects: first in respect of the thing brought, which is moved forwards and backwards. Whence if you place a thing nearer, it seemes bigger, if farther offlesser, according to the intersection made in the * medium. And because it is cut in divers places, it seems greater and lesser, as by our selves we may perceiue: and this commeth to passe, because we have a conceit where it is cut with the thing which is carried to our eie; wherfore one thing feems bigger or leffer, as it is nearer or farther of from the eie: neither yet is the thing diminished indeede by being nearer or farther of: but this falleth out by reason of the standing of the eie, which receiving more or lesse of the thing, considereth it to be greater or lesser. For that which is farther off, receaneth leffe, and by this way many excellent things may be feene & done. Now we must understand that this Perspective, which is performed by reafon, measure, and order, is practised with the rule and compasse, by helpe of the rules of the faid Perspective: as, the cubite, inch, minute, perch, and mile. So that there is nothing to bee made, whose greatnesse may not be precisely knowne either neare or farre of.

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BRAMANTINES SECOND PERSPECTIVE.

CHAP. XXIII.

He second part is done without measure, either by meere imitatio of Nature, or by working vyholy after our ovyn phantalie: which kinde of worke more Painters follow, then the o-Ither two. And are not with standing generally reputed sufficient vvorkemen, because they endevour to imitate the life

exactly, and according to that follow their owne humours: In whose works neuerthelesse you shall finde most grosse errors, which those that are skilfull in the true reason of seeing and vvorking, neuer commit.



BRAMANTINES THIRD PERSPECTIVE.

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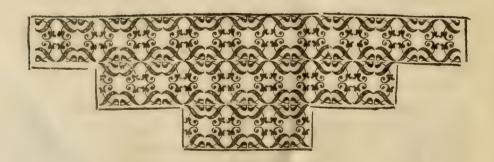
HE third part is vvrought with a * Grate, or insteede there- Which is an of with a glaffe let betweene the eie of the Painter, and the instrument thing seene, vvho looketh as it were through a vaile. And made with crofthat which striketh vpon the vaile is vvrought and transferred thereon, so that nothing be mooued. For if you mooue

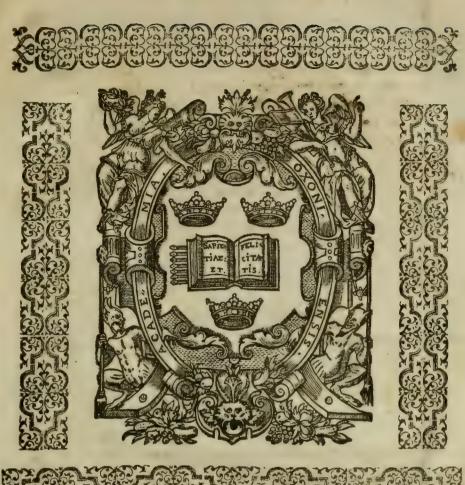
any part, your whole worke will bee falle, except you returne to the first place. place. And by this Grate you may make the thing you imitate, bigger or lesser, according as you shall mooue it neerer, or farther off from the things tracing the worke with a cole fastned vnto the ende of a cane. Which way although it bee somewhat hard, yet is it very good for the vse of Drawing, because by it wee shall more euidently conceive of a doubtfull thing. Moreover with this instrument by making the squares soure, sixe, or ten times broader then they are high, you may make such phantasses as I shall speake of in the booke following.

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The ende of the fifth booke.





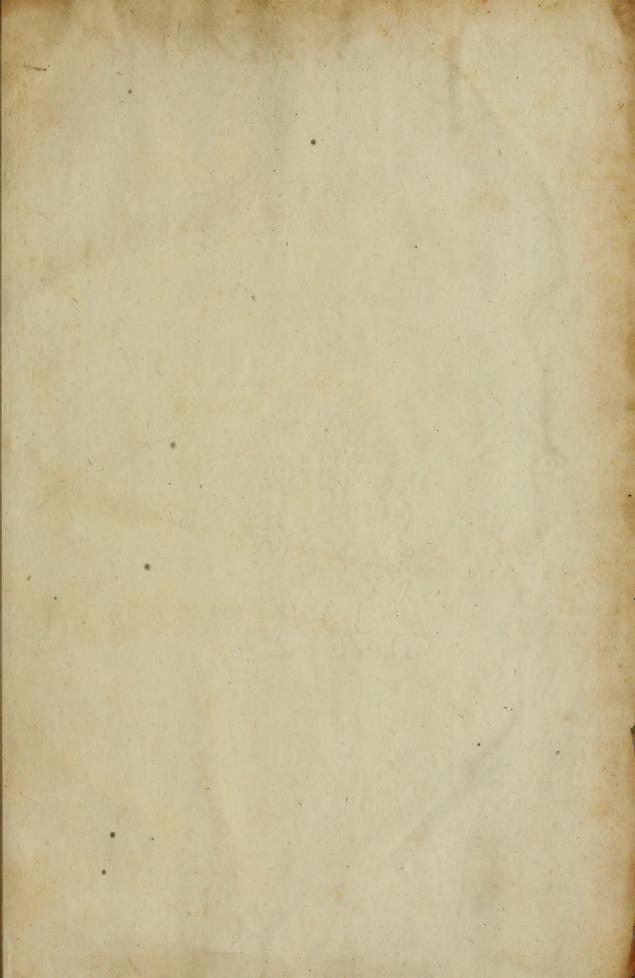


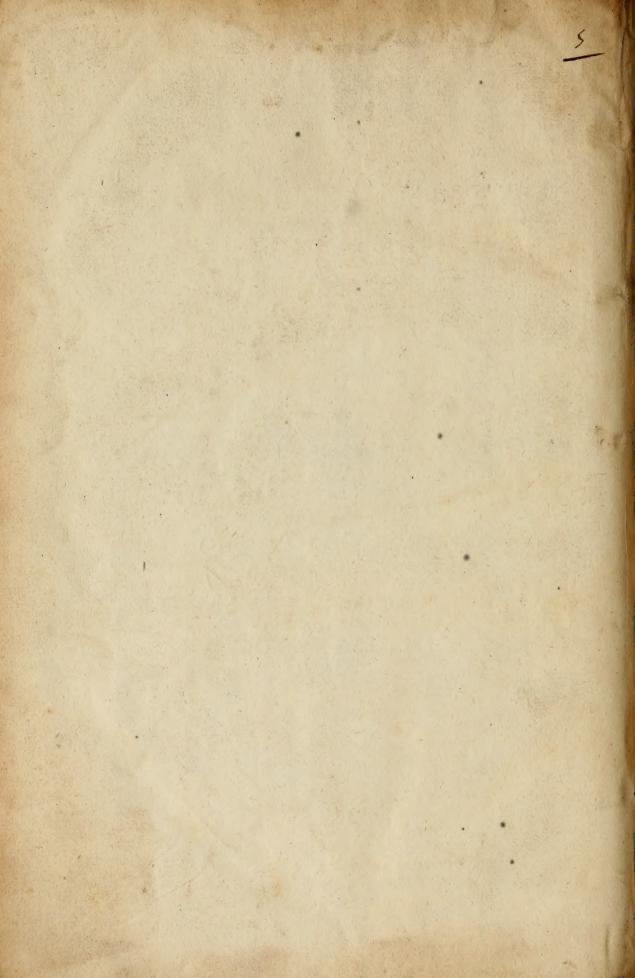
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